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NEW-YORK POLITICS.

THE LIBERAL FARCE AND THE DEMOCRATIC FAILURE.

RESULTS OF THE ACTION OF COCHRANE'S "CONVENTION"—UNDISGUISED CONTEMPT FOR THE "LIBERAL" MOVEMENT—THE DEMOCRATIC BUNGLE—TILDEN'S CHANCES—TWENTY-SIXTH AND TWENTY-NINTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS—THE ASSEMBLY.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ELMIRA, Saturday, Sept. 12, 1874.

Since the melancholy "Liberal" farce and the Democratic mistake at Albany on Wednesday I have gone through several counties of the State and talked with many well-informed people in various portions of the State. The general impression is that Republican prospects, so far as the State ticket is concerned, have been greatly improved by late events. John Cochrane and his gang have succeeded only in earning public contempt. Their proceedings showed so plainly that they were for sale to the highest bidder that the little respect which was still entertained for the Liberal movement in several counties of the State has entirely disappeared. If nominations had been made the case would hardly have been any better for poor John, for Church would inevitably have been named for Governor, and everybody would have known that such action would have been part of a bargain with certain Democratic leaders to force Tilden off the track. All of Cochrane's polysyllabic platitudes could not have hidden that fact from the public view, any more than they did deceive anybody as to the actual results and real purpose of his "convention." He and his scanty following were so manifestly up for a market that their pretense of devotion to purity and principle in the administration of public affairs was, in Bowery parlance, entirely "too thin." The adjournment until the 29th inst. has been received as nothing better than the shrewd discretion of free-booters in politics to get a better price. Nominations would have been nothing more than evidence that the Liberals had been bought, and the consideration paid over. In any case, poor John would have had a fair chance for nothing better than public derision and contempt. From what I have heard and seen since Wednesday, it is quite certain he has been eminently successful in securing both. This City, for example, used to be a hot-bed of "Liberalism." Sam. Faber, who then edited the *Advertiser*, went over in the first flush of the movement, and attempted to take the paper with him, in which effort he signally failed. His example, however, did have some little effect upon thoughtless people, and for a time the Liberals were supposed to have some respectable showing in Chemung. The election of 1872, however, almost destroyed them, and they have now been utterly extinguished by Cochrane's wonderful convention. There is nobody left but Mayor Caldwell. Some of them, like Faber, have gone over without disguise to the Democrats, and the others have returned to the Republican Party. So far as I can learn this is true all over the State, and the present condition of affairs will continue, no matter what poor John may do in the future. It is safe to take the odds that the curtain has been rung down on the sorry farce of Liberalism.

While this is the ridiculous plight of Cochrane's squad, thanks to the marvelous stupidity and bungling of "Joe" Warren and Jarvis Lord, the Democrats are in hardly better condition. I find a deal of soreness through the State as the result of the now famous conference at Albany. The gentlemen who assumed to be the Democratic leaders in the interior of the State have gone home disappointed and disgusted, and it is hardly possible that their feeling will not crop out in the Syracuse Convention on Wednesday. They may acquiesce in the nomination of Tilden, which their blundering has assured, but it is almost certain that in some way they will attempt to have revenge for the crushing defeat they received from the wary politician of New-York. They went to Albany to make sure of the nomination of Judge Church, and they only succeeded in rendering the candidacy of that gentleman before the convention impossible. For the foolish predicament in which they find themselves and their candidate they have to thank the veteran Tilden, and they can hardly be blamed for thinking of him with a good deal of bitterness. The general result of the Church movement has been to disorganize and dishearten the Democracy. It was based upon the assumption, which is quite general in the State, that success could only be secured with Judge Church, and now that it is absolutely certain he will not be the nominee, the Democrats are looking to the future with gloomy forebodings. In some few towns like Aurora, where the sale of intoxicating liquors is prohibited by local authority, their unquenched thirst will drive them to extraordinary exertion, with the hope that a Democratic victory will create a public sentiment in the State which will render the absurdity of a town without whisky impossible. But it is already evident that, as a general rule, there will be no enthusiasm for Tilden. He has no hold upon the masses, and the general impression that he is doomed to defeat which has been produced by the Albany conference has put an end to what little ardor the Democrats had begun to show in the contest. In some localities Mr. Tilden's very virtues will lose him votes. In Syracuse, for example, the faithful have pleasant memories of the prodigality of Tweed, and they mourn as those who cannot be comforted for the money he was accustomed to scatter about him so profusely when attending State conventions. They imagine that Mr. Tilden had something to do with putting an end to these good old times, and they propose to get square with him. The general unpopularity of Mr. Tilden, and the indifference which has been caused by the Albany conference, make him a highly desirable Democratic candidate.

Coming now to deal with matters more in detail, some words must be said concerning certain Congressional districts, in regard to which nothing has yet been stated. First among these is the Twenty-sixth, composed of the Counties of Cayuga, Wayne, and Seneca. There is no contest here for the Republican nomination, and Hon. Charles D. MacDougall, of Auburn, the present member, will be the unanimous choice of the convention. Last year these counties gave Thayer 12,849 votes and Willers 10,431, being a Republican majority of 2,418. The election of Mr. MacDougall is therefore certain. The counties have five members of Assembly, of which last year four were Republicans and one a Democrat. This proportion will probably be maintained this year, but it is only proper to say that there is some little trouble in one of the Cayuga districts, resulting from local causes. Both districts of the counties are, however, so largely Republican that it seems hardly possible that either can be lost. The general feeling in these counties is unfriendly to ex-State treasurer Gov. Dix is extremely popular with all classes, and will poll a large vote. Aside from him, there is no decided opinion in reference to candidates, and any proper selections which may be made by the Utica Convention will be heartily supported.

The Twenty-ninth District, comprising the Counties of Chemung, Steuben, and Allegany, is not in so good shape. The present member is Hon. H. Boardman Smith, of this city, who is now Chairman of the House Committee on Elections, but he is not in the contest. Some time ago Mr. Smith publicly and positively announced that he would not be a candidate. A new man having, therefore, to be fought, the sentiment of the district accorded the nomination to Steuben, but unfortunately that county has had some little difficulty in selecting the individual. When the convention met in one of the Assembly districts to choose delegates to the Congressional Convention, the majority favored Mr. Philo Hakes and named delegates in his interest. A minority then seceded, and meeting irregularly pretended to select delegates in favor of Mr. John N. Hungerford, of Corning. It is the general opinion that the Hakes delegates will be admited, and as he has Allegany County, and probably Chemung also, his nomination seems certain. In addition to Mr. Hungerford, Dr. Hull is also contesting the Steuben delegates with Mr. Hakes, and he is, therefore, one of the latest illustrations of the truth that a prophet is not without honor save in his own country. The contest in Steuben has been somewhat bitter, and some Republicans fear that it will not serve to increase the party strength, especially in the Assembly contest. This is to be regretted, for the district has of late become rather close. Last year these counties gave Thayer 14,954 votes, and Willers 13,817, leaving a Republican majority of 1,137. It is evident, therefore, that the Republicans must select a strong candidate for Congress, and work for him with energy, in order to secure a respectable victory. This district has four Assemblymen, and last year they were equally divided between the two parties; but there is some danger that this year the Democrats will secure a majority of the delegation. In the first Steuben district S. D. Shattuck, Democrat, had 455 majority, while in the second Charles F. Houghton, Republican, had only 288 majority. Taken in connection with the strife in the county for Congressman, these figures are unpleasantly suggestive, but they should not be received as conclusive proof that the Democrats can in any case secure the Second District. Harmony and hard work among the Republicans can make it absolutely certain, and it is even within their power to redeem the First District, as in 1872 it gave Thomas M. Fowler, Republican, 22 majority, and in the previous year gave the same gentleman 313 majority. Indeed, the district is really Republican and should be reclaimed, but it is perhaps too much to hope that it can be this year. The Democrats will make a desperate effort to carry it, as, indeed, they will all districts where they have the slightest chance. I was particularly impressed with this fact by the information I obtained in Tompkins County yesterday. That the Democrats should consider this district debatable ground is in itself sufficient evidence that they intend to obtain control of the Assembly if possible. Tompkins County last year elected Wm. L. Bostwick, Republican, over two competitors, by 87 majority, but in the previous year it elected Anson W. Knettles by 513 majority over Geo. W. Schuyler, a Liberal, and in 1871 gave Mr. Knettles 1,273 majority. The county is and always has been, under ordinary circumstances, strongly Republican, and it should not this year be admitted by the Republicans to be doubtful. Mr. Bostwick will again be the Republican candidate, and Mr. Schuyler will be the Democratic nominee. This latter gentleman will indeed be presented to the Syracuse Convention as a candidate for Lieutenant Governor, but there is not the slightest chance of his nomination, and the movement in his favor for that office is only intended to strengthen him for the Assembly race. The Republicans of Tompkins have a hard fight before them to secure the Assemblyman, but they are aware of the fact and declare that they intend to win. With this feeling prevailing among them, Tompkins can be safely set down on the Republican side. While dealing with the Assembly, I may add that the Democratic chances of securing the Tioga member have entirely faded away. When I last wrote from this portion of the State, some little danger was apprehended from the Temperance movement. But this no longer exists. Mr. Landfield, who has latterly represented the district, has retired from the contest, and the Republicans intend to nominate some one who will be acceptable to all classes of their voters. The names of several such gentlemen are mentioned, any one of whom can be easily elected. In Broome, Mr. Sherwood is to be returned, and, upon the whole, the Assembly outlook in this portion of the State is encouraging. It might be better in Cayuga and Steuben, but to anticipate disaster in either of those counties is to avert it. Both may therefore be considered safe.

IMPOSING RELIGIOUS CEREMONIALS.

PHILADELPHIA, Penn., Sept. 13.—The ceremonies attending the reopening of the renovated Church of the Assumption to-day were of the most solemn character, and were witnessed by a vast multitude. Bishop Wood celebrated Pontifical mass, and Archbishop Bayley, of Baltimore, preached an eloquent sermon. Bishops O'Hara, of Scranton; Shanahan, of Harrisburg, and Dominic, of Pittsburg, and many priests, including Vicar General Carter, Pastor of the church; Vicar General Walsh, Dr. Hartman, Rev. J. F. Spaulding, of New-York; Father James O'Reilly, P. R. O'Rielly, M. Flan, J. J. Elcock, F. P. O'Neill, P. A. Daily, James Maginn, J. J. McElroy, and George Sniel. Music was given by a full choir and grand orchestra, directed by Mr. Thomas E. Harkins, President of the Philadelphia Musical Association. As the ecclesiastical body entered the church Hassler's Festival March was performed and the Te Deum sung. Then came Haydn's Grand Mass No. 16, in B flat, with Mozart's third motet at offertory. The decorations, ceremonies, and music were grand. At the Vesper service the sermon was delivered by Dr. Spaulding. The church is considered one of the neatest Gothic structures in America.

CHURCH REOPENING IN HUDSON, N. Y.

HUDSON, N. Y., Sept. 13.—Rev. Dr. J. McClellan Holmes, of the First Reformed Church, in this city, after an absence of four months in Europe, returned to his pastoral charge to-day, and preached a most affecting and eloquent sermon to a vast congregation from the text: "Now, therefore, we are all here present before God."

THE SEIZURE OF ARMS AT NEW-ORLEANS.

NEW-ORLEANS, Sept. 13.—The *Picayune* publishes an address, signed by fifty persons and business firms, calling a meeting at Clay Statue at 11 o'clock A. M., Monday, to consider the matter of the seizure of private fire-arms by the State authorities. It is understood that messengers to-day notified the White Leaguers to attend, as it is intended to make a demonstration in force.

MUSICAL GOSSIP.

AMONG THE SONG-BIRDS AND BEHIND THE SCENES.

A ROYAL MUSICIAN—THE MODERN PRIMA DONNA—NIGHTINGALES IN RIVALRY.

From an Occasional Correspondent.

LONDON, Saturday, Aug. 29, 1874.

The Duke of Edinburgh, from his persistent attachment to the metropolis, ought to be created and called Marquis or Earl of London. Not only will he not absent himself from the capital during the present much misrepresented season, when "every one" is supposed to be at the sea-side, in the Highlands, or on the Continent; he even permits himself to appear in public, and a few nights ago attended M. Hervé's promenade concerts in a semi-official manner. On the occasion of this species of state visit, formally announced beforehand, the programme was made up of pieces whose names had been previously submitted to and approved by the Prince: and permission was at the same time obtained from him to include in the performance that "Galatea Waltz" on which he rests his claims to consideration as a musical composer. It is amusing to see the importance attached by this Prince of the Blood to the little reputation accruing to him from a piece of dance music, which Strauss certainly could not have written, and which Offenbach and Hervé would equally disavow. It consists, like most waltzes, of an introduction, four or five "numbers," and a coda; and of the "numbers" only the first is really tuneful. But though tuneful the theme is not new. It is, in fact, imitated closely, though perhaps unconsciously, from a waltz by Olivier Metra called "Les Roses," of which, indeed, the first four bars are not merely imitated but reproduced, note for note, in the opening movement of the "Galatea." The waltz is fairly enough written for the orchestra, that being a matter in which his Royal Highness would naturally be helped, or at least counseled, by his friend, preceptor, and constant companion, Mr. Arthur Sullivan; and it must, in justice, be added that the public seem to like it, and that they always applaud it and ask for it a second time. The applauders, however, of the "Galatea Waltz" may, I think, be divided into two classes, those who admire music from a member of the royal family as they would admire music from heaven; and those who, with a touch of cynicism in their composition, think it "rather a lark" to clap their hands and call out "bravo" to a Royal Highness until the said Royal Highness comes forward and bows from the front of his box as any fiddler might do. Nero (to whom in other respects one would not compare the Duke of Edinburgh) bowed in the same way, at the end of a successful violin solo to the public of Rome. The Duke's fanaticism for music has lately shown itself in the form—familiar to Continental potentates—of a passion for distributing titles and decorations among his artistic favorites. As heir to the Duchy of Saxe-Coburg he seems already to have full command over its stars, garters, and nobiliary parchments. He has made Mme. Nilsson member of some Saxe-Coburg order, and has created Mr. Arthur Sullivan a Saxe-Coburg knight of the second class. No wonder that Mr. Sullivan looked beaming the other night as he sat in his knightly pride (of the second class) by the side of his royal patron at the promenade concerts, listening with ecstasy to the strains of the "Galatea Waltz."

As for Mme. Nilsson, she started some weeks ago with her Saxe Coburg decoration, via Germany and Sweden, for Russia, and it already seems an age, though it is in fact only a month, since Mme. Nilsson, Mme. Patti, and the rest of our prima donnas took formal leave of us until next season. The last appearance of the prima donna for the season is usually made either on the stage at her own benefit, or in a box at the benefit of a rival, when she goes through a certain amount of dumb applause, or of the rival of a rival, when she applauds with genuine enthusiasm. I like her best at her own benefit. Then she is lyrical, expansive, and sincere. The public is delighted with her, and she is delighted both with herself and with the public. It is interesting, however, to see her at the benefit of a rival, and to note how her seemingly energetic clapping of hands is attended by no sound. Even this visible, but by no means audible, demonstration of approval is not always indulged in when the object of so much carefully-guarded admiration happens not to be in a position to observe it. "Giulietta, my love," I once heard a prima donna's prudent mamma say to her somewhat thoughtless—but perfectly natural—daughter at the benefit of one of her rivals—a certain Mlle. Chanterelle: "Giulietta, my love, Mlle. Chanterelle is on the stage and you are not applauding!" "What is the use of applauding, mamma!" replied the impulsive young girl; "she is not looking this way." "No, my love," returned the mamma; "but her friends are." Thus admonished, Giulietta began to applaud with much apparent violence. I warned her that if she did not control the expression of her ardor her gloves would suffer for it. But, somehow, they did not split. At the benefit of the rival of a rival, the prima donna renews, without being aware of it, the policy which in modern times has been especially associated with the Austrian Empire, but which is as old as the art of government itself. Giulietta dislikes Chanterelle heartily, because Chanterelle, like herself, is a light soprano, and is always trying to cut her out in her best parts. Paulina, however, who appears at the same theatre as Chanterelle, and divides with her the attention and admiration of the public, is a "dramatic" soprano; so that her success, however much it may annoy Chanterelle, will never disturb Giulietta's peace of mind. On the contrary, every triumph gained by Paulina at Chanterelle's expense will fill Giulietta's heart with joy. Hence at Paulina's benefit she applauds without reserve and without caring what happens to her gloves. But that it would spoil the effect of her toilette she would be ready to take her gloves off and applaud with her naked hands. She at the same time urges her friends to throw bouquets to Paulina, and herself presents her with a wreath; does, in fact, all she can to strengthen Paulina, whom she does not fear, so as to weaken Chanterelle, whose increasing reputation sometimes alarms her. All this is very sad; but it is also very natural and rather amusing.

When the the last bouquet has been thrown, when the last rival has been feebly, and the last rival's rival forcibly, applauded, the prima donna prepares to start on her travels. A prima donna who is not "accustomed to travel" must be either very young or can have met with no great success. The truly successful prima donna, whose name, a hundred years hence, will occupy a place in the history of her art, knows the whole civilized world—and Roumania, perhaps, besides. She may even have been to Egypt; nothing is more likely than that she will, at some time or other, have sung for the Viceroy—London, Paris, and St. Petersburg, as a matter of course; Vienna, Berlin, and Brussels, if she has cared to accept the engagements sure to have been offered to her in those capitals; New-York, beyond a doubt, and possibly she will have gone from New-York west to San Francisco, or south to New-Orleans. If diplomatists lived several centuries and could go on for two or three hundred years without being placed "in disposibility," a diplomatist would now and then see as much of the world and of those courts which, after all, form a very important part of the world, as a few celebrated prima donnas do now. Embassadors, sooner or later, publish their memoirs; but no prima donna has yet published hers. Perhaps prima donnas are less observant than embassadors. It is their part, moreover, to communicate impressions rather than to receive them, nor do those who possess the gift of song possess necessarily, in any very full development, that of speech, whether by word of mouth or through the pen. Otherwise a prima donna in the course of her career is sure to come into contact, not only with the directors of all the great opera-houses, but also with the chiefs of all the great Governments of the world. Indeed, more than one prima donna might be mentioned who has conversed more or less intimately with at least three or four Emperors. "Which of them," I asked one day of a very able vocalist (not, however, a prima donna) who enjoyed a large acquaintance among crowned heads, "do you like best?" "The Emperor Alexander," she replied, "gives the best jewelry." Another of more refinement selected Napoleon III., saying: "He is the most gentlemanly Emperor I know." ("C'est l'Empereur le plus comme il faut que je connais." S. E.

LIBERAL-DEMOCRATS OF DUTCHESS.

BITTER STRIFE IN THE TENT OF THE HAPPY FAMILY—MACHINATIONS OF THE WHITE-HOUSE CLIQUE.

From an Occasional Correspondent.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Sunday, Sept. 13, 1874.

Notwithstanding a strained official announcement by Cyrus Swan, Chairman of the Liberal Democratic County Committee of Dutchess, that the greatest harmony exists in the ranks of that party here, the trouble and disorder predicted ten or twelve days ago commenced yesterday in the Liberal-Democratic Assembly Convention, at the Forbus House, in this city. The row was over two sets of delegates from the Fourth Ward, one headed by E. B. Osborne, one of the oldest and staunchest Democrats in Dutchess, and the other by George Tompkins. The convention was presided over by Hon. Charles Wheaton, who was supposed to have the great ruling power, in order to strangle any element of discord which might appear. When the roll of delegates was called a motion was made that the Fourth Ward difficulty be settled by a committee of five, and an amendment followed making the committee one delegate from each election district. The Whitehouse clique voted the amendment down, and, the original motion being carried, the chair appointed a nice whitewashing committee "in the interests of harmony," and the committee retired to Judge Wheaton's law office to deliberate. Both contesting delegations came before them, and all the evidence showed that the Osborne delegation was appointed under a call regularly authorized by the Ward Committee, and that the Tompkins delegation was not. But notwithstanding that fact the committee reported in favor of admitting the Tompkins delegation, and that fact has intensified the feeling against the Whitehouse clique. The meeting in committee was a stormy one. George Tompkins, of the Tompkins delegation, denounced the Osborne meeting as a fraud, and affirmed that its projectors endeavored to hold a meeting about which the public should know nothing. Benjamin S. Bross, a leading Liberal, denounced Tompkins in turn and offered to bet him $50 he wasn't telling the truth. Charles Gaylord charged Tompkins with having arranged to hold the Fourth Ward meeting later than usual, so that men in the other wards could migrate to the Fourth after their meetings were over, and help elect a ticket that had been printed for a week. Geo. Williams, another prominent Democrat, said he took the Tompkins call to the newspaper office unauthorized by the Ward Committee, and swore in a florid manner that that was all he knew about it. Benjamin Bross charged Egbert C. Sweet, one of the Tompkins delegates, with having aided to defeat a regular Democratic nominee for Alderman, and charged Tompkins with endeavoring to defeat a regular Democratic nominee for Water Commissioner. The committee seemed to be nervous, as almost every moment a row was imminent. Toward the close E. B. Osborne said his delegation might not be heard before the convention, but they would be heard before the Democratic Party.

This will be a contest of right and justice on the side of the Osborne party, against money and political chicanery on the side of the Whitehouse clique, and it is not improbable that this Fall will witness in Dutchess County wilder and more disgraceful scenes of corruption at the polls than were visible two years ago. In the latter battle the corruption fund of the Whitehouse clique in each election district and ward averaged $4,000, and a bank official was kept handling the money all day. In every town and ward Liberal politicians have lists of from 100 to 300 names of men who were bought for from $20 to $40 apiece, and these lists will, no doubt, be used this Fall. The break which occurred in their committee-room yesterday, and which has now precipitated disorder in their ranks, will make a more bitter fight this Fall, and twice $160,000 will be necessary to infuse harmony.

A DRUNKEN DESPERADO KILLED IN DUTCHESS COUNTY.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

FISHKILL, Sept. 13.—A desperate affray occurred on Friday in the town of Stanford, Dutchess County, between two men on the farm of a man named Tallmadge. The farm was occupied by William H. Horton, but afterward came into the possession of a man named See, who worked it; but Horton still occupied the farm-house. On the day mentioned, Horton, quite drunk, went into a field where See was at work and began a quarrel, which resulted in See being struck on the head with a stone, thrown by Horton, and knocked insensible. The assault was witnessed by a child of Horton's, who gave the alarm. Some men who were working near by hurried to the spot, when Horton attacked them with an ax, cutting one of them—a man named Tompkins—in the cheek. See was properly cared for, and a messenger was sent for an officer. Horton going into the house and coming out again for another fight, and with an ax in his hand. See, in the mean time, had returned to consciousness, and had provided himself with a shot-gun. Horton approached him in a threatening manner, and as he did so See fired at him, the shot entering his stomach and bowels. With blood flowing from the terrible wound, Horton staggered into the house, and a physician was sent for, who pronounced the wound a fatal one. See gave himself up, and was taken before a Justice, who held him in a light sum, all conceding the shooting was done in self-defense. Horton is still alive, though in all probability he cannot live long. He has a wife and two children. He has been a very dissolute, shiftless man.

THE ARMY OF THE CUMBERLAND.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Sept. 13.—President Grant, and Gens. Sherman and Sheridan are expected to visit this city next Thursday, to attend the Exposition, and will then go to Columbus, to be present at the meeting of the Army of the Cumberland.

THE UNITARIAN NATIONAL CONFERENCE.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Sept. 13.—The Unitarian National Conference will meet in Saratoga on Tuesday, and continue in session until Saturday. A very large attendance is expected, and arrivals have already begun. Among those registered at the United States Hotel are Hon. Charles Francis Adams and Hon. Gerrit Smith.

WASHINGTON.

THE SAFE BURGLARY INDICTMENTS.

THE SUCCESSION TO COL. WHITELY, OF THE SECRET SERVICE—MONEY ORDERS TO CANADA—THE PENSION BUREAU—MEXICAN WAR SURVIVORS.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—It is expected that the Attorney General will to-morrow direct United States District Attorney Fisher to discharge Richard Harrington from his employ, on account of his indictment for an alleged conspiracy in connection with the safe burglary. Harrington has never been a commissioned officer of the Department of Justice. He has only been employed by the District Attorney as an assistant, and has been paid out of the appropriation for assistance which is made for this district. The law does not authorize the employment of an Assistant United States District Attorney in this District, as it does in most States.

THE HEAD OF THE SECRET SERVICE FORCE.

The Secretary of the Treasury has decided to refer all the papers in the matter for the position of the Chief of the secret service to the President for his action. These papers have, accordingly, all been made ready for presentation to the President upon his arrival here. It is expected that the President will make the selection on Monday. The political pressure for the position was so great that, although the appointment belongs legitimately to the Secretary of the Treasury, the latter officer has preferred that the President should make the choice. The principal candidates for the position, who are publicly known, are Elmer D. Washburn, of Chicago; Samuel F. Felcker, of Chicago; Wm. Beck, Chief of Police of Milwaukee; Mr. Hester, of North Carolina, and Mr. Benson, of Pittsburg. The latter gentleman now holds a position in the secret service force.

CANADIAN MONEY ORDERS.

The Postmaster General of Canada has notified our Government that Canada is ready to agree to the establishment of a money order system between the two countries. In a recent letter the Canadian Government have asked of our authorities what steps have been taken to that end. Our Post Office Department is greatly embarrassed from the fact that the appropriations for clerical force are inadequate to put such a system in operation. At present the Canadian Government has, therefore, been advised that it will be necessary to await the reassembling of Congress before the initial steps can be taken.

THE PENSION BUREAU.

The Commissioner of Pensions, in his next annual report, will devote considerable space to advocating the necessity for reorganizing the Pension Bureau. It is the custom of Congress each year to make some important changes in the pension laws, which very materially increase the work of the Bureau, and add to the duties of the Pension Office. The Pension Bureau, as at present organized, both as to its force and methods, is not able to perform the duties which are imposed upon it by these frequent changes of law. The changes recommended will be only such as will add to the efficiency of the service.

SURVIVORS OF THE MEXICAN WAR.

The twenty-seventh anniversary of the surrender of Mexico to the American army will be celebrated in this city, by the survivors of the Mexican war, on Monday, Sept. 14. The veterans, who have a permanent head-quarters here, have made arrangements to celebrate this reunion of the survivors by an excursion down the Potomac River. The survivors of this war, who reside in this city, number about 100. Among them are several distinguished officers of the army and navy, and some eminent citizens engaged in the pursuits of civil life. Gen. Albert Pike, who commanded a company of volunteer cavalry from Arkansas in the Mexican war, will deliver an oration.

KING KALAKUEA TO VISIT THE UNITED STATES.

An order has been sent to Rear Admiral Almy at San Francisco, it is understood, to have the Benicia, now at Honolulu, fitted up in a suitable manner to convey his Majesty King Kalakuea, of the Hawaiian Islands, to the United States. It is believed that the King will also visit Europe before his return to the islands.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

PRINTING THE LAWS OF CONGRESS.

Although the laws of Congress were printed at the Government Printing Office as fast as they were approved by the President during the session of Congress, nearly three months have elapsed and yet no index has been prepared or volume of the laws published accessible to the public. By act of June 20 the contract with Little & Brown, of Boston, by which the issue was required to be made in seventy days, was discontinued, and the Secretary of State charged with the publication and distribution of the revised statutes. Applications for the laws are daily made to different officers at the Capitol, who are unable to respond or give any information upon the subject. The first bound volume of the journal of the House of Representatives for the first session of the Forty-third Congress has just been delivered. The number of pages is exactly 1,776.

THE POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Postmaster General Jewell has entered upon the duties of his office with a popularity at least equal to that of any of his predecessors, and made a favorable impression by the courtesy and freedom with which he receives those having business with him. He is now engaged in acquainting himself with the fitness of those holding important subordinate positions, and will doubtless find occasion to make several changes in order to secure better service. A strong outside effort is being made to effect a change in the office of Disbursing Agent of the Department.

POST OFFICE CHANGES.

The following are the Post Office changes during the week ending Sept. 12, 1874:

New-England.—Postmasters Appointed: Samuel A. Talcott, Talcottville, Tolland County, Conn.; Lorenzo K. Lovell, Wayland, Middlesex County, Mass.; George Little, Swanton Junction, Franklin County, Vt.; Fred. A. Hammond, West Wardsborough, Windham County, Vt. Discontinued—Avon, Franklin County, Me.

New-York.—Postmasters Appointed: Backus McIntyre, Ancram Lead Mines, Columbia County; J. W. Cleveland, Broadalbin, Fulton County: Hall M. Smith, Linden, Genesee County; Lyman L. Robles, North River, Warren County; J. D. Merritt, Vallonia Springs, Browne County; Wm. H. Pelton, Warwick, Orange County.

Pennsylvania.—Postmasters appointed: Fleetville, Luzerne County, Redman J. Brewning; Geary, Westmoreland County, William Portser; Hayfield, Crawford County, Alvin Spencer Painter; Westmoreland County, J. W. Manafield; Rural Ridge, Allegheny County, J. D. Ackley. Scofield, Warren County, Philip N. Robinson; West Elizabeth, Allegheny County, John A. Newton. Name changed: Coyle, Butler County, to Great Belt.

Maryland.—Postmaster appointed: John Short, Barry, Frederick County.

THE PENSION FOR TOTAL DISABILITY.

The Commissioner of the Pension Office has decided, as preliminary to the consideration of a claim, under the act of June 18, 1874, (provision for pension of $30 per month,) alleging permanent and total disability, the applicant must present evidence showing conclusively that he requires the regular aid and attendance of another person.

MAIL SERVICE IN OREGON.

At the instance of Senator Mitchell the following additional mail service has been ordered in Oregon by the Post Office Department: A new weekly mail from this City across the Cascade Mountains to Upper Ocheco; the mail service on the route from Dallas, Polk County, Oregon, to Philomath, Benton County, has been increased from a weekly to a semi-weekly service; on the route from Wheatland to Salem the service has been increased from weekly to semi-weekly.

THE LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE.

The Civil Service Commission having recommended certain rules to be prescribed by the President for the government of the lighthouse service, the rules are now published, and their provisions are to be enforced by the proper officers. Admission shall not be made to such service until after proof of good character, loyalty, good health and physical condition, and tests of superior capacity by examination. As women can, from the nature of the lighthouse service, but rarely, if ever, be allowed to enter it, the regulations of the Lighthouse Board will, as far as practicable, disseminate such information as will prevent applications and examinations of women too much in excess of those who can receive appointment.

THE RECENT ATTEMPTED HORSEWHIPPING CASE.

Miss Marion Boucher publishes a card in which she says that her mother, Mrs. Shippen, is now satisfied she was entirely wrong in her recent attempt to castigate Thomas Shaler, a clerk in the Treasury Department, her mother being instigated to the act by malicious falsehoods and ungovernable temper, and the young lady herself bears testimony to Shaler's gentlemanly character.

DAILY MAIL SERVICE EXTENSION.

The Post Office Department has ordered daily service on the Watertown and Sackett's Harbor Railroad, from Watertown to Sackett's Harbor, twelve and a half miles.

PERSONAL.

Hon. E. P. Smith, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, has returned from Marblehead, and resumed the duties of his office.

President Grant was at the Executive Mansion a short time to-day. He and Mrs. Grant are stopping with Marshal Sharpe.

Hon. Montgomery Blair has been called to Missouri by the dangerous illness of his brother Frank.

THE CAMPAIGN.

THE SOUTH CAROLINA REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Sept. 13.—The Republican Convention nominated D. H. Chamberlain for Governor; R. H. Gleaves, the present incumbent, for Lieutenant Governor; R. B. Elliott, Chairman of the Executive Committee. An Independent Republican Convention will be called, as many delegates are dissatisfied, and other nominations will be made.

DELEGATES TO THE NEW-YORK DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION AND THEIR COMPLEXION.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Sept. 13.—To-day it is officially denied that the delegates elected here yesterday by the Democrats are for Tilden. All the delegates from both districts will vote for Homer A. Nelson for Governor.

HUDSON, N. Y., Sept. 13.—The following are the Columbia County delegates to the Democratic State Convention: First District—M. Parker Williams, Jacob Prosser, and Robert E. Andrews. Second District—Marvin Sackett, William Gould, and Charles W. Trimper.

UTICA, N. Y., Sept. 13.—The following delegates to the Democratic State Convention were elected for Oneida County yesterday: First District—Grove W. Bagg, of Utica; W. H. Chapman, of New-Hartford; D. A. Barnum, of Paris. Third District—Calvert Comstock, of Rome; Lewis Rider, of Florence; L. Bennett, of Verona. Fourth District—Horatio Seymour, of Marcy; David Moulton, of Floyd; R. H. Roberts, of Boonville. The Second district has not yet been heard from. It is understood that the First district delegates are anti-Tilden men.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Sept. 13.—At the Democratic County Convention held at Penn Yan, Yates County, on Saturday, the following-named gentlemen were elected delegates to the Democratic State Convention: Samuel J. Ellsworth, Darius A. Ogden, and Dudley W. Dox. The delegates chosen from Chemung County are Stephen T. Arnot, Samuel C. Tabor, and Charles Hulett. The delegates from Schuyler County are Ira Stilwell, H. M. Baker, and Merwin Bulkley. Dr. William H. Fish, of Hector, was nominated for the Assembly in Schuyler County by the Democrats.

MAINE LEGISLATIVE NOMINATIONS.

AUGUSTA, Me., Sept. 13.—One hundred and sixty-four disaffected Republicans in caucus last evening nominated Gardner C. Vose as candidate for the Legislature. The Democrats nominated W. S. Badger, and these will constitute the Fusion ticket.

THE MAINE ELECTION.

The regular annual State election in Maine occurs to-day. The only officer to be elected on the general ticket is the Governor, for which position the Republicans have nominated Hon. Nelson Dingley, Jr., for re-election. The Democratic candidate is Hon. Joseph Titcomb, whom Mr. Dingley defeated last year. For Congress the Republicans have nominated the present delegation complete, and the names of the candidates on both sides are as follows:

Dist.	Republican.	Democratic.
1.	John H. Burleigh,	Bion Bradbury,
2.	William P. Frye,	Philo Clarke,
3.	James G. Blaine,	Edward K. O'Brien,
4.	Samuel F. Hersey,	Gorham L. Boynton,
5.	Eugene Hale.	Charles A. Spofford.

The vote for Governor last year was—Republican, 45,674; Democratic, 32,816. In the several Congressional Districts the vote was—First District, Republican, 15,483; Democratic, 13,216. Second District, Republican, 13,350; Democratic, 9,453. Third District, Republican, 15,084; Democratic, 11,516. Fourth District, Republican, 13,814; Democratic, 8,706. Fifth District, Republican, 14,181; Democratic, 10,918. The full State Legislature is to be chosen, and upon it will devolve the selection of a United States Senator in place of Hon. Hannibal Hamlin, whose term will expire in 1875.

BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

James Donahoe, aged nine years, was drowned yesterday afternoon at Fiske's Wharf, Boston.

Caleb A. Champlin, of Harrison, Me., has been appointed Trustee of the Maine Agricultural College, vice S. F. Perley, resigned.

John H. Smith, the driver of the steam fire-engine who received fatal injuries, by falling from the box, while going to a fire, at Lynn, Mass., last week died last night.

Washington Macomber hung himself to a tree on Walnut street, in Lynn, Mass., Saturday night. Religious differences with his wife are supposed to have been the cause.

J. C. Whittman, a German, about forty years of age, committed suicide, on Saturday afternoon, at his room, Worcester, Mass., by shooting himself through the heart. He was engaged to be married to-day to a young lady, and it is said he has a wife and two children living in this City.

The Texas editorial excursionists arrived at Memphis, Tenn., early yesterday morning and were entertained by the Chamber of Commerce. They leave this morning for Lookout Mountain, thence to Richmond, Norfolk, Baltimore, and New-York. The party numbers about thirty.

Six of the crew of the Provincetown schooner Blonde, while going to their vessel on Saturday night at Portsmouth, N. H., were capsized, and Charles H. Doane, of Harwich, aged seventeen, was drowned. It is said that three of his brothers have been drowned.

THE LATE SAMUEL WILLISTON.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Sept. 13.—A memorial service in honor of the late Samuel Williston, the veteran East Hampton manufacturer, a large benefactor of Amherst College, and the founder of the Williston Seminary, was held at East Hampton to-day. Prof. W. S. Tyler, of Amherst College, delivered the commemorative discourse

LATEST NEWS BY CABLE.

FRANCE.

DEATH OF M. GUIZOT—ENFORCEMENT OF THE PRESS LAWS.

PARIS, Sept. 13.—Francois Pierre Guillaume Guizot, the eminent statesman and writer, died to-day at his residence, Valricher. He will be buried in St. Owen Cemetery. The funeral will be strictly private and unceremonious, in accordance with the wishes of the deceased.

The sale in the streets of the *Journal D'Evenement* has been prohibited on account of its comments on the disturbances of the 4th of September.

The *Journal des Débats* has received a warning for illegal criticisms on the policy of the Government.

SPAIN.

THE AUSTRIAN AND GERMAN MINISTERS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT SERRANO.

MADRID, Sept. 13.—The German and Austrian Ministers were received by President Serrano yesterday with great ceremony, and presented their credentials simultaneously, in accordance with the instructions of their Governments. M. Hatzfeld, the German Minister, said the Emperor William, in recognizing the executive power of Spain, was moved by a desire to contribute to the restoration of peace in that country, and hoped that President Serrano would succeed in maintaining order by conservative measures.

President Serrano replied that his Government would fulfill the expectations of Europe, and act with energy to prevent civilization from being again undermined.

Speeches of a similar tenor were exchanged between the

THE POLITICAL FIELD.

SOUTHERN OHIO.

PROMINENCE OF THE TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT—THE FINANCIAL QUESTION—THE EFFECT OF THE SOUTHERN OUTRAGES.

From an Occasional Correspondent.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Tuesday, Sept. 8, 1874.

Ohio is regarded as a key point on the political chess-board at the present moment, and Southern Ohio, with her dense population, is the key to the State. New factors have been striving to force a way into the politics of Southern Ohio during the past eight or nine months. What success has attended the efforts, and what product will result in case of success, is for time to reveal. These factors must be taken into serious account by those who would analyze and understand political events in this part of Ohio.

Dio Lewis, by the introduction of the prayer movement against saloons last Christmas, brought the temperance question upon the verge of the political field, though he set out to do just the opposite. The movement started out with the use of moral weapons alone, but the enemy it attacked returned the fire from the ballot-box. Their great strength was exhibited in the municipal elections in this city and generally in Southern Ohio last Spring. Since then the August vote on the Constitution exhibited the party in favor of licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors as more powerful in Cincinnati and in Southern Ohio generally than in other parts of the State. This question, which divided the votes of both parties, found most voters against license in the Republican Party, to which the greatest number of moral citizens belong. Neither party took position on the question previous to the State Conventions held at Columbus within the last fortnight. An examination of the platforms made at Columbus will give so unsatisfactory an idea of the position taken there on the subject of temperance as to excite suspicion that no position at all was taken. This suspicion will be strengthened upon hearing comments of the doctors upon the license plank of the Democratic and the Temperance plank of the Republican platform. The former is merely suggestive—only a recommendation to submit to the people a license amendment to the Constitution. The Republican plank is a sentiment well expressed. It commits the party to the proposition that the good of society demands the full exertion of the Legislative, Judicial, and Police powers of the State to restrain intemperance and its causes. A good many terms are contained in it upon whose meaning people will disagree should the occasion for defining them arise. It brought back the Temperance people of Cincinnati—most of whom are Republicans—upon the Republican platform which they had left for a moment to consider the propriety of forming a third party, and it retains the German element, the best of which is Republican. The temperance people do not look on it as a prohibition plank, nor do the liquor men, but both regard it as pronouncing intemperance an evil, which it says should be restrained, but leaves the mode an open question.

The thrusting of this question into politics would do the most injury to the Republican Party in Southern Ohio. That in some parts of the State the Democratic Party would feel its effects seriously is apparent from the fact that thirteen Democratic counties gave majorities against license in the vote last month upon the new Constitution. While this question is a standing menace to both parties danger from it seems to be delayed for the present, in consequence of a prospect of other questions overshadowing it.

The financial question, since the panic, has been looming up more prominently than definitely. In the great manufacturing centres of Southern Ohio the divisions of opinion on this question are not marked by the boundary lines of parties. There is more significance in what the two State platforms don't say than in what they do. Both agree that the country wants an elastic currency, but differ as to how to secure it. The Democratic platform attacks national banks; the Republican platform does not mention them. The Republican platform strikes boldly for a specie basis; the Democratic timidly and evasively asks for more greenbacks. The fact is that the sentiment upon the money question has neither taken shape in the mass of individual minds nor position in party lines. Candidates are the best barometers of public sentiment, and they, in both parties, are timid upon the question of finance and national banks. Senator Morton's influence crosses the State line and enters into conflict with the opposite one of Senator Sherman on questions of finance. The effect of these two opposing forces is felt in South-western Ohio very strongly. The coming elections will hardly develop them, for views on the subject just now partake more of the nature of speculations than of opinions.

The elections last Spring in Cincinnati indicate a gain of Democratic strength, but as the anti-crusade question entered into these elections they cannot be regarded as defining that strength. The massacre of helpless and inoffensive negroes across the river in Kentucky and other Southern States is having its effect upon many Democrats and weak Republicans, admonishing that it is not time yet to differ on minor questions, and leave the results of the war to take care of themselves. Democratic leaders understand the effect of these outrages, and by condemation in qualified terms seek to counteract it.

VIRGINIA.

THE WAR BETWEEN THE CONSERVATIVE FACTIONS—TROUBLE IN THE REPUBLICAN RANKS—THE STATE'S FINANCIAL CONDITION.

From Our Own Correspondent.

RICHMOND, Va., Wednesday, Sept. 9, 1874.

Open war has broken out in the Conservative Party here, and the contending factions are headed respectively by the Richmond *Whig* and the Richmond *Enquirer*. The immediate cause of this belligerent outbreak is the nomination for Congress of Ex-Gov. Gilbert C. Walker, who was, and still is, bitterly opposed by a faction of Conservatives who are strong in position and resources, if not in numbers. The *Whig* headed the opposition to Walker from the start, calling him an interloper and carpet-bagger, and appealing to native Virginians to send only one of themselves to represent them in Congress. However, the *Whig* agreed to yield should Walker be the nominee of the convention; but after a grudging silence of a few days its feelings grew too strong to be restrained, and its editorial columns began to growl hate and war against the Ex-Governor. On the other hand, the *Enquirer* was for Walker *ab initio*, and is generally credited with being his organ. Of course the latter could not quietly allow the *Whig* to assault its man, and it has come to the rescue of his Ex-Excellency by pitching into the *Whig pugnis et calcibus*. The skirmishing between these two journals has been quite warm for a week or two over Walker, the *Whig* reading Walker, the *Enquirer*, and all their supporters out of the Conservative Party; while the *Enquirer* has retorted by charging the *Whig* and its allies with insubordination and giving aid and comfort to the Republicans with a view to coalition more or less permanent.

Since mostly the *Whig* has been very gracious to the Patrons of Husbandry, the order having grown to considerable strength in the State; whereupon the watchful *Enquirer* wants to know, "Why is this thus?"—insolently referring to the time, not very remote, when the *Whig* denounced the Grangers and repudiated them wholly. Yesterday the *Whig* endeavored to show "why is this thus?" and in doing so trod rather cruelly on the corns of the *Enquirer*, stating that the reason the *Whig* and many good farmers throughout the State viewed the order with great doubt and suspicion was that two of the principal officers of the State grange were ward politicians of this city, one of them (Hazlewood) a job printer, and the other (Lewellen) City Inspector of Flour. To understand this hit one must know that Hazlewood, until within the past few days, was business manager of the *Enquirer*, and is now running its job office; while Lewellen is now the business manager of the paper. Naturally that provoked the *Enquirer* beyond measure, and today it devotes its whole editorial page to the *Whig*, giving that journal a record of the most injurious kind for inconsistency and other political iniquity. The fight thus begun will doubtless be carried on by both sides without quarter, and its results promise to do much to countervail the evil that the Republicans here are suffering from their own internal divisions.

The prospect of peace between the contending factions of the Republican Party is not hopeful. Notwithstanding the action of the District Committee in postponing the convention to the 7th of October, the election of delegates to the convention of the 16th inst. still continues. The District Committee has refused to reconsider, and the State Executive Committee shrinks from interference. Yesterday there was a meeting here of the executive committees of the counties and cities composing the district which passed resolutions in favor of the convention of the 16th, and against postponement. As the case stands there will probably be a civil rights bill candidate nominated by the September convention, and an anti-civil rights bill candidate by that of October. Doubtless some compromise may be effected before the meeting of the last convention, or at any rate before the day of election; but the discord now existing is sadly injuring the strength of the party. An effort will be made to prevail on the first convention to adjourn without action to Oct. 7, or, failing in that, to get its nominee to submit his claims to the October body. If both these fail, then it is suggested that the latter convention nominate Joseph Walker, of Chesterfield, and that both he and the nominee of the September convention be set aside by the joint action of the State and District Committees, and all true Republicans exhorted to vote for some compromise candidate to be named by those committees. Surely, when so fine an opportunity for success is offered by the divisions among the Conservatives, the Republicans will find some way of composing their own differences. It is all that is needed to insure a Republican Representative from the metropolitan district of Virginia in the next Congress.

It is said that Gov. Kemper will within a few days issue a call for a meeting in this city some time during November of the holders of State bonds, with a view of presenting them with fuller and more correct information as to the financial condition of the Commonwealth, to the end that some agreement may be arrived at satisfactory to the bondholders and within the ability of the State to meet. The ill success attending a former conference of this kind here will go far to discourage any hope of good consequences to flow from this projected one. If the bondholders by any process known to the law can obtain a definitive decision from the Supreme Court allotting to Virginia and West Virginia their respective portions of the old State debt, they will have then taken the first and most effective step toward a settlement. While that main point is unsettled, the people of Virginia will not exert themselves to pay.

THE BLACK HILLS.

PROF. WINCHELL DOES NOT BELIEVE THERE IS ANY GOLD THERE.

Prof. Newton H. Winchell, State Geologist of Minnesota, and Professor of Natural History in the State University, was present at a meeting of the Academy of Natural Sciences in Minneapolis on Tuesday evening last, and made some statements concerning the expedition to the Black Hills, from which he has just returned. He said he did not see any gold there, nor did any one bring any to him for examination. Some brought what they thought was gold-bearing quartz, but on examination he found it to be mica scales, stained with iron rust. He would not say that there was not gold there, and some parties may have discovered gold, but he saw none, and, therefore, he was of the opinion that there was none there. He was led to believe that the reports of gold were groundless from another reason, viz., that the character of the men who talked up the expedition, urging the Government to explore the Black Hills, would lead any one to distrust their statements. These men were miners and adventurers who profess to be practical miners, but who have always lived on and profited by excitement. They were stock jobbers who probably own extinct claims now in different parts of the country, and who wished to profit out of this expedition. He did not say that Gen. Custer or the military authorities had been influenced by these men, but the correspondents, and Gen. Custer also, obtained all their information concerning the reported gold discoveries from them.

In a preliminary report to Col. William Ludlow, United States Topographical Engineer, Prof. Winchell also says: "In respect to the economical products of the rocks of the Black Hills, the following minerals are in considerable quantities and will ultimately be found very useful: Gypsum in unlimited quantities; variegated marble from the carboniferous iron-ore, in the southern portion of the Hills Muscovite; Talcose slate, useful for whetstones. There may be found also other products of the granite rocks; indeed the miners that accompanied the expedition report the finding of gold and silver in some of the gulches in the south-eastern portion of the hills, though I saw none of the gold, nor did I see any of the auriferous quartz. I have taken the gold reports with a large grain of allowance."

CLIMBING PARNASSUS.

Dr. Schliemann describes in the *Allgemeine Zeitung* an ascent made by him last month of Mount Parnassus. He did not see any snow until he had gained an altitude of 6,000 feet, and even then only in clefts of the mountain. At 9 in the evening, after repeatedly losing his way, he arrived at one of the highest of the shepherds' huts; but the place was so filthy that he preferred to sleep with his companions in the open air. This he did with comparative comfort, though when he left Delphi that morning the temperature was at 32° Reaumur, while at his sleeping-place the thermometer showed 0° only. At 2 A. M. they proceeded on mules for an hour and half, after which they had to climb with hands and feet up the Lykeri, which is the highest peak of the mountain. They reached the summit with much labor at five o'clock, just as the sun was rising. To the east they saw the green fields and meadows of Boeotia, Lake Copais, Attica, the island of Eubœa, and the Ægean Sea; to the north, the mountain chains of Othrys and Œta, Pindus, Olympus, Ossa, Pelion, and Athos; to the south, the high table-land they had visited on the previous day, the ravine of Pleistos, in which Delphi lies hidden, the beautiful plain of Krysso, the bays of Cirrha and Anticirrha, and the magnificent mountain-range of the Helicon, the bay of Corinth, Acrocorinthos, the mountains of Achaia, descending precipitously to the sea, the high mountains of Arcadia, and in the background the gigantic Taygetos; to the west the mountains of Locris, Ætolia, and Acarnania, and behind them the Adriatic. Dr. Schliemann adds, that on the summit of the mountain he found only one kind of plant, with small thick leaves, but that at the foot of the Lykeri there were six different species, giving abundant food to the sheep. Some of the shepherds have 2,000 sheep, which is equivalent to a property of 30,000 drachmas, or 7,500 thalers (£1,100.) Everywhere on the mountain tons there are high stones of various shapes, which serve as landmarks to the shepherds in foggy weather. The women carry about with them a very primitive spinning apparatus, with which they are continually spinning wool, whether they sit, stand, or walk.

EVAPORATION IN DELAWARE.

The Milford (Del.,) *News* tells this: "The proprietors of the Haven Woolen Mills say, that during one day this Summer, when the atmosphere was clear and when we had been without rain some time, the water in their pond seemed to lift out of sight, so that the water line settled more than a foot below its usual mark. They are positive that it did not pass through the dam, and conclude it was taken up in evaporation."

THE LIFE OF CHASE.

INSIDE VIEW OF POLITICS IN 1863-4.

PRESIDENTIAL SCHEMES — THE "CHASE MOVEMENT" — MR. CHASE'S RESIGNATION.

This interesting period of our political history is presented in Mr. Schuckers' life of the Chief Justice as follows:

Mr. Chase's resignation in June, 1864, grew out of differences of opinion between the President and himself touching the appointment of a successor to Mr. Cisco in the Sub-Treasurer's office in New-York City, and was promptly accepted by Mr. Lincoln—more promptly, perhaps, than it otherwise would have been, but for the connection of Mr. Chase's name with the Presidential nomination in 1864. During the Winter of 1863-64, a feeling of great despondency prevailed among the people. The war had been prolonged beyond all expectation; it was immense in its proportions; nor was the end apparently near, nor could it be very safely predicted. A strong conviction grew up that a change in administration was necessary, and in this conviction many leading Republicans participated. A movement was put on foot with a view to present Mr. Chase for the Republican nomination at Baltimore. A committee of gentlemen waited upon him; they urged him to consent to a use of his name as a candidate for the Presidential succession. He at first hesitated, and did not answer promptly; but, despondent and dissatisfied himself with the conduct of the war, and believing that if he were at the head of the Government he could infuse into its prosecution vigor and energy, and perfectly certain that he sought, paramount to all other considerations, the good of the country, he finally gave his consent. This consent may have been a mistake, but, even admitting it to have been such, it was an honest and patriotic one. Mr. Chase was a believer in that curious abstraction called the "one-term principle," and this consideration had some weight in his mind, and he thought, also, that no interruption would occur, in consequence of his candidacy, in his relations with the President—a mistake, of course, as events proved.

The movement fell, however, into bad hands; it was badly officered and was badly managed. A circular was prepared, embodying the objections to Mr. Lincoln's re-election, and the considerations which were in Mr. Chase's favor. With a surprising want of tact and sense, this circular was marked "confidential," and was sent to perhaps a hundred persons. Of course it fell into the hands of Mr. Lincoln's friends, who denounced it with unsparing vigor. If at any previous time the "Chase movement" had been attended by the least likelihood of success, that likelihood was promptly and utterly extinguished by the appearance of the "Pomeroy circular." Counter circulars were issued by Lincoln committees; public sentiment reacted in his favor, and grew stronger as time passed, and ended in his renomination and re-election, as is matter of familiar history.

Mr. Chase was ignorant of the preparation of this circular, and was as much surprised at its appearance as any one, and regretted it as deeply; but he could not publicly disavow the action of his own friends, however ill-advised and inopportune that action was.

The relations between the President and the Secretary were seriously embarrassed by these events, and still more so by a struggle between rival factions in the Republican Party in New-York to get possession of the Custom-house in that City. The history of that struggle is of no small interest and importance.

The appointment of Hiram Barney to be Collector at the port of New-York was Mr. Lincoln's own act, done upon his own personal responsibility, because of his knowledge of Mr. Barney, and confidence in his capacity and integrity. The selection was, however, peculiarly gratifying to Mr. Chase. His acquaintance with Mr. Barney, in 1850, was of nearly twenty years' standing; for eighteen years (since 1849) they had been business correspondents, and since 1848 they had been personally and politically intimate. The President's choice of Mr. Barney for so important a post in his own department was, therefore, a matter of sincere gratification to Mr. Chase. But the close personal friendship existing between the new Collector and both the President and the Secretary of the Treasury, became a source of painful embarrassment to him, when Mr. Lincoln and Mr. Chase were, for a short period in 1863 and 1864, rival candidates for a Presidential nomination. The next paragraph will show the nature and extent of that embarrassment.

The Republican Party in New-York was divided into two factions, Radicals and Conservatives, the Conservatives claiming to be the special friends of Mr. Lincoln. Mr. Barney was regarded as having radical proclivities, and as inclining rather in the direction of Mr. Chase's nomination, but his friendly relations with both President and the Secretary, joined with his ideas of the proprieties of his position as a public officer—the subordinate as well of the Secretary as of the President—led him to decline participation in the efforts of the friends of either as against the other. He made appointments and conducted the affairs of the Custom-house without reference to the interests of the rival factions or of Presidential candidates. Mr. Barney had foreseen this embarrassment, and for this reason and because of seriously failing health, in the Autumn of 1863 had asked to be relieved from his position as Collector; but neither the President nor the Secretary would then consent to his retirement, the friends of the former asserting that the appointment of a new collector at that time would raise dissensions dangerous to the harmony if not the integrity of the Cabinet. Toward the end of the year 1863 Mr. Barney was urged by leading opponents of Mr. Chase to declare himself in favor of Mr. Lincoln; and was significantly warned that, unless he did so, he would be attacked." Mr. Barney then emphatically renewed his refusal to take sides, and declared that he would continue to perform the duties of his office, and would be ready for attacks of whatever character and from whatever quarter. Early in January, 1864, the threatened attack was made. It came in the form of a resolution in the House of Representatives directing an investigation by the Committee on Reconstruction, into alleged misconduct in the management of the Custom-house, with relation particularly to shipments of contraband goods. This committee acted promptly upon its instructions, and proceeding at once to New-York began the examination.

Mr. Barney's private clerk, Albert M. Palmer, a young man of about twenty years of age—supposed to be in the possession of important secrets of the Collector—was, in the temporary absence of Mr. Barney, seized and thrust into a cell in Fort Lafayette, and for a considerable time was denied communication with his wife and friends. No charges were made against him then, and none have been made against him since. He has been confronted with accusers and accusations, if there were any, but no accuser appeared and no accusation was made. He suffered months of confinement before he was enlarged, and the cause of his enlargement was and is as officially unknown as the cause of his arrest and imprisonment.

But the motive for Palmer's arrest was perfectly well understood. It was expected that, separated from his family and friends, ignorant of accuser and of accusations, and of what was going on in the active world of which he had lately been a part, and utterly alone, he would inculpate his chief. The method pursued in examining him was extraordinary, and would not have been tolerated in a court of justice. But Palmer was neither a coward nor a rascal; he bore himself like a man conscious of innocence, and showed himself nobler than his inquisitors; he said he knew no wrong in Mr. Barney's official conduct, and that he would rot in the fort rather than make any lying charge against him.

After the appointment of this committee, a messenger from the President waited on Mr. Barney and informed him that Mr. Lincoln—aware of his ill-health and of his desire to resign the Collectorship—would now accept his resignation, and would give him such foreign diplomatic appointment as would agree with his tastes, and help in restoring his health. The President had authorised his messenger to assure Mr. Barney that his friendship and confidence were unabated. The Collector replied that, up to the time when his official conduct had been questioned, he would gladly have retired, as the President well knew, but he must now remain and resist the attack upon him, whatever risk to his health and comfort; that neither he nor the President could then afford such an arrangement as the one proposed. It would subject both to the most damaging criticism.

The investigation was allowed to go on; but it was a failure. The committee developed some criminal acts on the part of one of the employes of the Custom-house, a boy of nineteen or twenty years of age, who had been bribed to commit them, and some irregularities which did not arise, as the committee said, "from any neglect in the Custom-house in administering the law, but were organic in traffic carried on in similar circumstances, however regulated." The eminent merchant, Mr. Alexander T. Stewart, testified that the business of his establishment with the Custom-house was attended to as satisfactorily as it not more so than, under former administrations; and not a single circumstance was evolved to show any other than a careful and prudent business management, and a perfect integrity on the part of the Collector.

The President and Mr. Chase were deeply interested witnesses of the committee's proceedings, but from different standpoints. The President was precluded from removing an officer appointed upon his own personal responsibility, except for a just cause, and he had no reason to doubt, and he did not doubt, the fidelity and integrity of Mr. Barney's administration; but he sympathized with the Collector's enemies. Mr. Chase offered no objection to investigation; no one more than he desired the exposure and correction of real abuses, but he despised the incentives to this inquisition, and rejoiced at its defeat.

Meantime, pending these events, Mr. Frank P. Blair—a member of Congress from Missouri, and a brother of Montgomery Blair, the Postmaster General—made an extraordinary speech in his place in the House of Representatives, in which Mr. Chase was a most bitter and abusive attack upon Mr. Chase, and was supposed to be in part prompted by the Postmaster General, between whom and the Secretary of the Treasury there was known to exist a strong personal and political hostility. The origin of this fend is unimportant here; but, I am glad to be able to say, that before the death of Mr. Cisco the relations between himself and the former Postmaster General had become cordial, if not those of an active friendship. When Mr. Chase was appointed Chief Justice, Mr. Blair had some apprehension that his practice in the Supreme Court might be embarrassed by the hostilities of their Cabinet association; but he found the Chief Justice too noble-minded to be moved by private animosities, even to a discourtesy in the performance of public duties. But this is digression. A few days after making his speech against Mr. Chase, Mr. Blair, of the House of Representatives, was nominated by the President to be a Major General of volunteers. This apparent indorsement of Gen. Blair's attack was extremely irritating to Mr. Chase. But Mr. Lincoln disavowed any design of wounding him by the nomination, or of indorsing Blair's attack, and Mr. Chase could not and did not doubt the President's perfect sincerity. But his position as head of a department was not improved by the occurrence.

The canvass for the Presidency, wore on, with increasing bitterness between the friends of Mr. Lincoln and those of Mr. Chase, in which both the principals became more or less involved, until there was a good deal of estrangement between them. It was a genuine and hearty relief to Mr. Chase, therefore, when the action of the Republican members of the Ohio Legislature, in passing a resolution indorsing a renomination of Mr. Lincoln, gave him an opportunity to withdraw his name. He promptly did so in a letter admirable for its good spirit and good feeling. But his withdrawal did not heal the breach between himself and the President. Their intercourse grew more constrained and formal, and it became evident that separation depended upon adequate occasion. * * * *

One of the most important of the Federal offices—the most important, financially, next after that of the Secretary of the Treasury, at any rate during the war—is that of Assistant Treasurer in the City of New-York. Its necessarily intimate connection with the monetary interests of the metropolis and money centre of the country and its unalienable importance to the financial transactions of the Government made its administration during the war one of great difficulty and responsibility. In 1864 over $1,200,000,000 in cash, coin and currency, was received and paid over its counters. Its employes were about 100 in number, and they were chosen with no other reference to their opinions than that they were loyally loyal to the rightful authorities of the Government. But above all mere party considerations were the indispensable requirements of business capacity and experience, and established moral character.

Mr. John J. Cisco had served in this important office from the beginning of President Pierce's term until near the close of the first term of Mr. Lincoln. His health was a good deal impaired by the severe and incessant demands which its duties devolved upon him. He wished to retire, but was induced to remain as well by the solicitations of the President as of the Secretary of the Treasury, until it became imperative upon him to give it up. In May, 1864, he wrote his resignation, to take effect on the 30th of June following, and, as it could be declined no longer, Mr. Chase sought a successor.

The relations between the Secretary of the Treasury and the Assistant Treasurer at New-York are of the most intimate and confidential nature, and Mr. Chase felt that in the selection of the new incumbent he would be allowed a great freedom of choice, it being understood that it would fall upon a supporter of the Administration and a man of known capacity and integrity. Mr. Chase was mistaken; he was not free to make choice upon this view of the public interest and of official requirement, but was expected to conform his choice to the wishes of Mr. Edwin D. Morgan, a United States Senator from New-York. Apparently Mr. Morgan was not so deeply interested in the business management of the office, as in the political opinions of its employes.

Three names were presented by Mr. Morgan, none of which were satisfactory to Mr. Chase. All three were utter strangers to him, and none of them were at all familiar with the duties of the office; and what was worse, the appointment of any one of the three meant a "reform" in the office in the interest of the conservative faction in the Republican party. Mr Chase cared neither for the Radicals nor the Conservatives, but he cared a great deal for a safe administration of the office. He therefore offered it successively to three conspicuous financial gentlemen of New-York: to Moses Taylor, to Denning Duer, and to John A. Stewart. All these gentlemen declined. He thereupon resolved to nominate Mr. Maunsell B. Field, then Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. Mr. Field had served some time in the Sub-Treasurer's office in New-York as assistant to Mr. Cisco; he was thoroughly conversant with its duties, and had discharged them to the satisfaction alike of Mr. Cisco and of the Treasury, and because of the ability and business qualities displayed in this place had been transferred to Washington as an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. His integrity was not questioned; he was recommended by Mr. Cisco and leading merchants and bankers of New-York, and had the indorsement of all the Union members of Congress from New-York except of Mr. Morgan. But he was supposed to be a radical, which was not true, though he was of Democratic antecedents. It was perfectly well known, however, that he would make few or no changes in the offices and clerks of the Sub-Treasurer's Office, and this was, after all, the exact spot at which the shoe pinched.

On the 27th of June, three days before Mr. Cisco's resignation was to take effect, after Mr. Stewart had declined the office, and Mr. Chase had determined to offer it to Mr. Field, he called upon Mr. Morgan to confer with him about it. Mr. Morgan made no objection to Mr. Field; but said that the chairman of a Republican committee in New-York had called upon him quite indignant about the political complexion of Mr. Cisco's office, and had insisted that it must be reformed. The Senator produced a list of all the officers and clerks in the office with letters set opposite the name of each, indicating the party affiliation of the person bearing it. Mr. Chase told Mr. Morgan that he did not suppose any considerable number of the persons in Mr. Cisco's office were opponents of Mr. Lincoln's Administration, though no doubt many of them were Democrats (and a good many on the list were marked D.) like Daniel S. Dickinson and John A. Dix. He said he could not admit the propriety of making the appointment of Assistant Treasurer in New-York depend upon mere partisan or factional grounds. He was alarmed at the spirit manifested in the production of this list; feeling strongly that if the office was to be turned into anything like a political machine the public interests would suffer, and his administration would be greatly embarrassed, if not irretrievably damaged. He said a good deal in this strain to the Senator; but the Senator did not seem satisfied with Mr. Chase's views, though apparently not very much dissatisfied either. In bringing the interview to a close, and as he was about to leave, Mr. Chase said to Senator Morgan that he would consider what he—the Senator—had said, with every disposition to gratify his wishes if consistent with public interests. Mr. Chase did consider what the Senator had said, but his mind was not changed. That evening he sent a blank nomination of Mr. Field to the President for signature—not doubting that the President would promptly sign it.

The next day, however, the Secretary received a note from Mr. Lincoln expressing his reluctance to nominate Mr. Field, because of the persistent opposition of Senator Morgan. Mr. Chase replied by a note asking a personal interview, and afterward, not receiving an answer, by a letter and memorandum particularly stating his reasons for preferring Mr. Field. To this letter the President rejoined, stating the embarrassments to which he had been subjected by certain appointments in the New-York Custom-house, and that the appointment of Mr. Field would create additional embarrassment of the same sort, unless Senator Morgan, and those feeling as he did, could be brought to concur in it. Mr. Chase took this to be a distinct declaration that it was necessary to satisfy Senator Morgan and Senator Morgan's friends, and it determined him at once to resign. He said he could not hold the office of Secretary of the Treasury upon conditions which he considered humiliating, and appoint so important an officer as Assistant Treasurer at New-York by anybody other than the President, or without his permission to select from among loyal and faithful men the fittest man for that place who would accept it, and with whom his relations could be as cordial and confidential as they had been with Mr. Cisco. He wrote a letter in reply to the President, he stated the general rule which, in his judgment, ought to govern selections for official trusts; and added that, although Mr. Cisco's temporary withdrawal relieved the immediate difficulty, he could not but feel that his continuance in the Treasury was not altogether agreeable to him—the President—and was certainly the fruit of difficulty and embarrassment, and painful responsibility, to allow a wish on his part to retain it. He inclosed his resignation, therefore, and said it would be a relief if the President would accept it. This was on the 29th of June. On the 30th the President answered. Of all he had said in commendation of Mr. Chase's fidelity and ability, he said in that letter he had nothing to unsay; but that Mr. Chase and himself had reached that point of mutual embarrassment in their official relations which, it seemed, could not be overcome consistently with the public service. He therefore accepted the resignation.

So ended Mr. Chase's career as Secretary of the Treasury.

EX-SENATOR LOWRY WAYLAID.

Ex-State Senator M. B. Lowry, of Pennsylvania, was assaulted by a thief, in Erie, on Thursday evening. He thus described it to a reporter of the *Dispatch*: "About 10 o'clock I started home, having left my wife, and when I came opposite Mr. King's gate, (the first house west of Mr. L.'s) I saw a medium-sized man with a slouched hat leaning against it. I accosted him with 'Good evening,' but he made no reply, but instantly made a spring and caught my throat; I shouted as well as I could, as I partly fell from the force of the shock, when he let go his hold. I went down, but rallied very soon, and when I was partly up the man came at me again, when I gave him a glorious kick that sent him sprawling nearly half way across the street. Just then another man made his appearance. I shouted again, when both men ran into an alley on the south side of the street. By this time a blacksmith, living near, who had heard me, came up and helped me to the house. I was bleeding from the mouth, found that a tooth had been loosened, and that one leg was somewhat bruised. The tooth I had taken out this morning, and now feel rather sore. I found, upon getting up this morning, that the blood had settled under my finger nails, from the effort I made in resisting the fellow. I suppose the intention was to rob me, but it was a failure. I had not a cent with me.

WONDERFUL STORIES FROM JAPAN.

Mail advices by China steamer, at San Francisco, report that many tracts of land at Iseneuria have been laid waste by a volcano in that district, vomiting fire, cinders, and smoke high in the air. One hundred and eight houses have been burned by the falling sand. There was a continuous discharge of ashes for ten days. An extraordinary phenomenon has occurred in connection, it is generally supposed, with the volcanic disturbance. From a plain in the volcanic region there arose, in a brief time, three mountains, one of which covered an area of two and a half square miles and is 1,600 feet high, the others being considerably smaller. A tract of land also rose from the ocean at an adjacent point on the coast. The newly-risen land measures 1,000 feet by 500 feet, and is connected at one end with the main land.

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY.

ITS PAST ACHIEVEMENTS, AND THE WORK BEFORE IT.

SPEECH OF SECRETARY ROBESON AT NEW-BRUNSWICK, N. J.

Hon. George M. Robeson, Secretary of the Navy, was one of the speakers at the large Republican ratification meeting in New-Brunswick, N. J., on Thursday evening last. After a few preliminary remarks, he spoke as follows, as appears from the report given by the *Fredonian*:

The whole country and all of you are in an uncertain state. Any why? Because there has been, after the great victory of our principles in '72, an idea that we had established them—that we had written them in clear light on the tablets of eternal history. We relaxed our efforts. But we are now awakened. The country has begun to criticise parties rather than discuss principles. We feel it in the air; we read it in the newspapers; we see it in the lightning flashes across the continent. But whatever we may think of our principles, our belief that established freedom and poured out blood like water over a thousand battlefields before it accomplished its end, whatever may be our ideas, there are men—not only individuals but organized parties—who don't think so, and who don't mean that we shall reap the fruits of our great victory. If that be true, it is a matter of the greatest importance that we should turn again to our old landmarks to look the issues square in the face; that we should understand that we do not mean to lay down our arms; that we do not mean to cease from our endeavors or rest from our labors, until the great principles of light and liberty are understood by all and practiced by every man. [Apolause.] We mean, if it cost the life of a generation, to see it. We owe it to our fathers' memory and children's heritage that we see to it that the great principles which underlie the Constitution of our country will be established forever, not only for ourselves, but for those after us; not only for our time, but for the world at large. We are the great champions of liberty, of progress, and of the rights of man. If we yield to the reaction we are traitors to the high aim which God has given to this country and nation.

Here we are, 43,000,000 of free and independent men, living upon the idea that every man has the right to struggle, to accomplish, to enjoy for himself. That is the key-note of all progress in this country and in the world. The system of our Government is founded upon the rights of labor—the right of every man, no matter what his condition or employment, to have an interest in the Government which he is upholding. That is a Government by the people and for the people. We have a continent. Our father's courage gave us freedom as a heritage. Here is the cradle of man's development. Here man is not trammeled by the customs of the old world; here where no castle looks down upon a free village; here where every man stands on his own feet and works with his own hands. Here we are to work out the problem whether popular government shall live or die forever in the world. The hopes not only of our own people, but the hopes of the oppressed of every land; not only of those who came to us, but the hopes of those they have left behind—their friends, families, and children—whatever destiny that is left for their future is rapt in the destiny of our great Republic! Such a duty, such a destiny, requires all the manhood that is in a free people. The question is, whether or not we shall be true.

If there are underlying principles of our Government, if we are rightly to struggle and rightly to assume our responsibilities, it is necessary that we should understand them. It is always a happy omen when a free people get together quietly to consider the great principles in which they are so deeply interested, and to bring their own intelligence to bear to decide them and to elect the men who are to represent them.

Now, then, the slowest intellect will perceive that, in popular Government, great parties are necessary. They are great voluntary organizations by means of which the will of the people is shaped into defined form and put into effect by men who represent them. If you have arbitrary imperialism there is no need of parties, for all that such parties can accomplish is to operate on the will of the Government or Emperor. But in a Government like ours, representative of the principles of humanity, all antagonistic parties are struggling for the defeat of vital principles. A mere local organization is of transient and temporary interest. Such a party will flourish for a time, but will soon vanish from the stage and leave the contest to the old parties.

There are only two issues. The one, whether the people shall rule; and the other, whether they shall be ruled—whether the people shall have the right to work out their own destiny, or be governed by a privileged class, large or small.

When our fathers came together, after a successful revolution, to organize this Government—when they came together to declare the principles of the Constitution of the United States, in 1787, under the guidance of the immortal George Washington, they also preceded this Constitution by a concise declaration of established principles which they held and was to maintain. These great principles were few in number but comprehensive in spirit. They are contained in the preamble of the Constitution: "We, the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

These are the organic principles upon which our Government rests. These are the eternal foundations upon which our fathers built the new Government. Mark how comprehensive in spirit—how sound in principle? Our fathers, prepared by sacrifice and enriched by success, when they came to form the government which they established, rose far above mere individual aims, colonial independence or party spirit. They declared the broad assertions of the rights of man, and, consecrated their country and their children to these rights of man for all time. Such is a Government by the people and for the people. We have a continent. Our father's courage gave us freedom as a heritage. Here is the cradle of man's development. Here man is not trammeled by the customs of the old world; here where no castle looks down upon a free village; here where every man stands on his own feet and works with his own hands. Here we are to work out the problem whether popular government shall live or die forever in the world. The hopes not only of our own people, but the hopes of the oppressed of every land; not only of those who came to us, but the hopes of those they have left behind—their friends, families, and children—whatever destiny that is left for their future is rapt in the destiny of our great Republic! Such a duty, such a destiny, requires all the manhood that is in a free people. The question is, whether or not we shall be true.

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ST. PAUL'S M. E. CHURCH.

REV. DR. CHAPMAN'S CONGREGATION.

HISTORY OF THE SOCIETY SINCE 1833—THE OLD MULBERRY STREET CHURCH—ITS EARLY PASTORS—THE BUILDING OF ST. PAUL'S IN 1856-7—SKETCH OF THE PRESENT PASTOR.

For nearly twenty years St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church, in this City, has been acknowledged as the wealthiest and most prominent organization of its denomination in the State, and even in the country. The original society, of which St. Paul's is the result, was the Mulberry Street Church, founded as far back as 1834, and in its time was one of the leading societies within the bounds of the New-York Conference. Early in July of that year the corner-stone of the original edifice, at the corner of Mulberry and Bleecker streets, was laid with appropriate ceremonies, and in the presence of a large and interested throng of worshipers. The congregation at that time numbered less than a hundred—the exact membership in 1835, the second year of its existence, being 106. The first regular Pastor, appointed in 1835, was Dr. Nathan Bangs, and the first Superintendents of the Sunday-school Dr. W. C. Palmer and Mrs. Hester Smith. The first Board of Trustees consisted of nine members, as follows: Ezekiel J. Moore, James Albro, Mark Stephenson, Ralph Mead, Richard J. Pelhemus, William A. Cox, John B. Dodd, Benjamin Disbrow, and Jacob P. Bunting. Constructed of brick in a plain and substantial manner, the church edifice was at that period considered one of the largest and most substantial in the City. Its seating capacity amounted to 900, and the total cost of its erection to $20,000. St. Paul's was the second "pewed" church in the denomination in New-York, that in Vestry street, erected the year before, being the first. As such it naturally gained a certain amount of notoriety, "pews" being then considered by the great mass of the Methodists in the light of an innovation, and as such to be resisted to the last extremity. A few years, however, soon demonstrated the superiority of the new system, which was afterward adopted in almost all of their churches. At the close of Dr. Bangs' pastorate in 1835, he was succeeded by Rev. F. Hodgson, who performed the duties of the office until the close of the year following. Rev. Robt. Seney, a clergyman of high standing, both as a scholar and preacher, and under whose ministrations the congregation was largely increased, was the next Pastor. His successor was Rev. E. S. Janes, for the past thirty years senior Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church. During the term 1841-2 the pulpit was filled by Rev. J. H. Perry, who, at the breaking out of the rebellion, resigned from the ministry to raise a regiment in defense of the Union, and who subsequently died in the service. In 1843-4 Rev. J. Dempster was assigned to the charge, and in 1845-6 Rev. Edwin L. Janes, brother of the Bishop. The term of 1847 was passed under the ministry of Rev. Charles B. Ling, who was followed in 1848 by Rev. E. E. Griswold. In 1850-1 Rev. R. S. Foster was appointed by the committee, continuing in the pastoral office until chosen Bishop by the General Conference in 1852. Throughout the latter year the pulpit was occupied by Rev. E. O. Havens, who resigned before the expiration of his term to accept the Presidency of the Michigan State University. In 1853 Rev. J. B. Hagenny was appointed to the position, which he held until December, 1854. His successor was Rev. A. M. Osborne, who ministered acceptably during the years 1855-6, at the close of which he was transferred elsewhere. During the latter year the project for the building of the present church on Fourth avenue was matured and work commenced upon the foundations. A small frame church of ancient date occupied its site, and around this the white marble walls of the existing structure were reared. During the period occupied in the work of construction the congregation worshiped in the frame edifice until the completion of the chapel in the rear of the main building, on Twenty-first street, when the services were transferred thither. The total cost of the church and chapel was upward of $150,000. The seating capacity of the former is 1,500; that of the latter, 400. Among the members largely instrumental in the prosecution of the work was Daniel Drew. In 1857 Rev. Dr. John McClintock, afterward President of the Drew University, and since deceased, was called to the pastorate, with Rev. E. L. Prentice as associate. Dr. McClintock, who was one of the ablest divines of his day, was appointed to the care of the American Church in Paris when the rebellion in this country was at its height, and in that position rendered valuable aid to the national cause in the hour of its peril. In 1859 Rev. A. C. Foss succeeded to the sole charge of the society. Rev. J. B. Hagenny, since deceased, was the next Pastor, holding that office during the troubled years of 1860-1. In 1862-3 Rev. R. B. Ridgaway was selected to preside over St. Paul's, and, in 1864, Dr. McClintock was again assigned to the charge of the church, assisted by Rev. E. B. Otherman. In 1865-6-7, Dr. Cyrus D. Foss, (at present in charge of St. James' Church at Harlem, succeeded to the pulpit. The second three-year term of 1868-9-70 was passed under the charge of Dr. H. B. Ridgaway. In 1871-2-3, Dr. Foss was again appointed to the pastorate, which he continued to fill until May of the current year, when Dr. Chapman assumed charge. The present membership of St. Paul's is stated in the church's report to the Conference of 1874 at 522. Large collections in aid of foreign and domestic missions are taken up at stated intervals, the contributions of the society for this single purpose averaging from $6,000 to $12,000 per annum. The Board of Trustees for the current year is composed of the following members: Daniel Drew, A. V. Stout, James M. Raymond, Edwin Mead, S. R. Spelman, Hon. Enoch L. Fancher, J. B. Dickenson, William R. Foster, and George Forrester. The Stewards are A. S. Purdy, Joseph Grayson, William Truslow, John Elliott, James L. Stewart, William L. Raymond, F. H. Carter, and B. Lord.

JAMES A. M. CHAPMAN, D. D.

Rev. Dr. Chapman was born in Greenland, N. H., on the 21st of August, 1830. Educated at the Congregational Academy, New-Hampshire, he entered Waterville College in 1850, graduated in 1854, and became a student in the Theological Seminary at Concord, N. H., in the same year. His first charge was at Fairhaven, Mass., in 1855, and his second at Blackstone, in the same State. In 1857-8 he officiated at New-Bedford, and in 1859-60 at Providence, R. I. At the breaking out of the war he was stationed in Fall River, Mass. His next congregation was that in Hanover street, Boston, the old mother church of the city, over which he presided during the term of 1863-4-5. During the succeeding three years he was stationed at the Tremont Street Church, Boston, and for two years more at Grace Church in the same city. At the session of the Legislature in 1870 he was elected Chaplain of that body, an office which he held until his removal to the New-York East Conference in 1871. In the Spring of the same year he was appointed to St. John's Church, Brooklyn, and in May, 1874, to his present position.

THROUGH CHRIST ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE.

By James A. M. Chapman, D. D.

I can do all things through Christ, which strengtheneth me.—Philippians iv., 13.

We are almost stunned at first by the boldness of this declaration of the Apostle, for you will observe that he does not say that Christ can do all things through him, but that he can do all things through Christ, which strengthened him. His position is not passive but active. He is not an instrument but a moral agent, and we find that God does work through substances, and influences, and beings according to the laws of our nature. All inanimate things and all irresponsible beings He uses in passivity or activity, according to the laws of their nature, for the accomplishment of His purposes; or perhaps it would be more correct if I should say that the operation of agricultural, chemical, mechanical, vegetable, and animal forces is the product of the action of the Divine Lord through irresponsible matter, according to the laws embraced within it or involved in its organization. We find, however, that man is not a passive nor an irresponsibly active being, but an agent endowed with will, and so capable of inserting or defeating the purpose of his existence which is governed by his own course of conduct, and gives himself to his own actions, and he is placed as the sovereign of all the lower forces of this lost or redeemable planet. He spends natural forces in the construction of machinery, he makes use of mechanical laws he rears splendid architectural structures, he builds splendid bridges, constructs railroads that span the continent, he tunnels gigantic mountains, navigates the ocean, and achieves all the marvels that distinguish the history of the world. By the knowledge and use of agricultural laws he turns prairies and swamps and deserts into fields blossoming with fruits and burdened with grain that supply the necessities and gratify the lustre of mankind. By the knowledge and use of chemical laws he converts mineral and metal gases and fluids into a thousand different and varied uses and purposes, and so all the grand achievements of ancient and modern history that stand to-day as the marvels and monuments of true genius, are but the results of a wise and a skillful use of forces almost exclusively outside of himself. So man may, without boasting, and almost with literal truthfulness, say I can do all things through natural forces, which strengthens me; and what is this but saying I can do all things through the God of Nature, who strengthened me; for these natural forces, acting under a common law, are used by Him for the attainment of His ends. Thus man himself, though not so strong as the ox or the horse, by the enlistment in his service of natural forces can transport more than they, and though not so swift as the bird, nor fleet as the dog, by the aid of natural forces he can outtravel them. He is not so far-sighted as the eagle, yet, through natural agencies, his vision circumscribes the world, and though not so invulnerable to disease as the beast of the forest, yet he can conquer the most terrible plague by the instruments which science has placed at his disposal. In some respects the weakest of all creatures, he can conquer and become the sovereign master of all. He uses the sun, moon, and stars; he uses the wind and the wave, electricity, gravity, and attraction, and there is scarcely any element or force that is discovered that he does not in some form or other enlist in his service. In infancy man is the weakest, most ignorant, and most helpless of all creatures; yet by mental cultivation and the study of the relation of forces to truth he can lift himself to the highest intellectual attainments, and aspire to the brightest culture, infinitely beyond that which is possible by the brute creation, who had the advantages at the start. He can also educate and elevate and transform the minds of others, and he does this by studying and mastering and then applying the forces that are outside of himself to the minds that he would transform and elevate. He does this voluntarily; he is not an instrument; he is a moral agent, and God works with him in company with this moral agency. Man nowhere stands as an irresponsible link in an irresponsible chain of human beings, moved according to the irresistible will of God. He places these means within his reach, and induces him to study them and become acquainted with their laws and possibilities, and apply them to the practical purposes of life, and he may do this and be wise and happy and successful, or neglect them and remain in a condition of miserable nothingness. Then he uses the forces of nature to become in Scripture language a worker together with God. When he eats, drinks, sleeps, or when he discharges any duty or lays hold of any force outside himself he takes hold of Divine power; he enlists the energies of the Divine Lord for the accomplishment of his plans and purposes, and it is just as truthful in nature as in religion, "Without me you can do nothing." Man is as much dependent upon the God of Nature as upon the God of religion. He can do no more without the assistance of God in the one than he can without the assistance of God in the other, and yet, ignoring this plain, simple fact, it would seem as though we become a race of practical atheists; we have pushed God above the common affairs of life, and simply recognized the laws of forces, whereas every day and every hour, and in every movement we are absolutely and directly dependent upon God. I now refer to God working with us from the very lowest fountains of our physical nature up to the very highest phase of our spiritual being. God works with the former when he sows the seed which germ and spring up through the agency of agricultural laws. He works with the mariner through wind and steam, by the laws governing them, and He works with the mechanic through the mechanical forces; and so God and man are working together every day in all the common affairs of life. And man may say just as truthfully in regard to natural things as of spiritual things, I can do all things through the God of Nature, who strengthens me, and, reversing the proposition, this is true in spiritual as in natural things. He is no more an instrument, and dependent upon one than upon the other, and it seems to me that no greater injury can be inflicted upon Christianity than running it in opposition to nature in its principles and operations. In investigating the subject, many would plunge it in impenetrable mystery and gloom, whereas there is an analogy between nature and religion, and the practical principles of Christianity are just as plain and simple and intelligible as any thing that emanates from human thought and consciousness. Spiritual forces are no more propitious than natural. Law reigns over one as over the other, and the conditions of spiritual forces are as easy of observance as those of natural forces. God has placed within our reach certain spiritual forces, and has revealed to us that we may use them and apply them to sacred purposes, and this is just as true in nature as it is in grace. All the agricultural forces in the world would never produce a field of grain unless they were applied. All the mechanical forces in the world would never rear a noble structure unless properly set in motion, and all the educational forces in the world would never develop a cultivated man unless they were accepted and yielded to. All the spiritual forces of the universe would never convert a soul and develop a Christian manhood unless they were accepted and applied to spiritual experience. There is no such sublime faith manifested in the world as that shown by the farmer who goes out at the close of Winter and opening of Spring to sow his field. He believes that God will work with him, that he will bless the seed, and through sunshine and the atmosphere that his labors will be rewarded with an abundant harvest. The mariner launches out into the ocean without a star to guide him, believing that God will take him through the winds and waves and carry him safely to a harbor through the influence of the magnetic needle, and so in other relations of life man expects that God will work with them. In our private relations when we work in truth and earnestness in the social family and business circle do we not expect God to work with us? It seems to me if these agencies God has given us were more frequently and abundantly employed than they are God's spiritual world to-day bloom and blossom as the rose. Nothing can be more explicit than the declarations of Scripture. If an educated man should say "I educated my son," you would not charge him with incorrectness of speech, and yet he avails himself of the teachings of the stars, the sea, the earth, and mind and matter to accomplish this result; but if a Christian says "I converted my son" you charge him with a most presumptuous fanaticism. Still he only avails himself of the spiritual forces that underlie his faith, and God working through these forces creates in him a new spiritual life, and develops a Christian manhood. The one uses Scriptural forces, and the other natural forces, to accomplish given ends, and I do not see why the declarations of one should not be as true as the other. If a physician says, "I cured a man sick of fever," you accept his declaration as truth; but if a Christian says, "I converted a wayward soul," you accuse him of the height of presumption. What is the difference? The physician studied the nature of the disease, the effects of drugs and the mode of prescription; the patient scrupulously follows the instruction it contains, attends conscientiously to ventilation and the other promotives of health, and God working with them health is restored. What is the difference between this and the forces set in motion by the Christian? He knows that the man is a sinner, that the gospel possesses redeeming qualities, and the patient scrupulously following these directions, the effect is the accepting of Christ as the Savior, and that result working through faith creates in him a new life, and develops in his bosom a new divine Christian manhood. The one is just as true as the other, and hence says the Scripture, free yourself, save yourself, cleanse and purge yourself, and let him know that he who purges a sinner from the errors of his ways shall save a soul from death. This is just as if God said, I put within your reach all those forces which are essential to salvation; use those forces, bring them to bear on the hearts and consciences of men, and God, working through these forces, shall secure the salvation of all the people of the world. In material agencies he studies and discovers forces, and applying them achieves grand results. In the spiritual world he discovers laws and forces, he brings the power of Christ's love and for us into earth, and he removes mountains, he uproots trees of social iniquity, converts moral wastes to blooming Edens, and opens a communication between the soul of man and the throne of power. Christ said to the apostles go ye to all the world and teach all the nations, and that command was based upon the saving power of the Gospel and its ability to bring this world back to the holiness of God and to Heaven. Through the exercise of these forces of the Gospel, Luther produced that grand awakening of the seventeenth century, and the great English reformers sent an influence into Christian work that blesses the whole civilized world to-day. It may be said that God works through them as His instruments as He does when men turn a profitless prairie into a fruitful field, and in religion, by the operation of these divine forces, they accomplish these divine results. But Christ declared, "Without Me you can do nothing." We accept the declarations of God in the profoundest construction that can be placed upon it. Apart from grace and from atonement and apart from truth, we can do nothing, but is not this just as true in nature as in Christ? Apart from natural forces man can't live a moment. How many architectural structures would go up in your City this year apart from mechanical forces, and how many harvests can be gathered apart from agricultural forces? Without natural forces man is absolutely helpless; so, without the forces of the Gospel we can do nothing. But these forces are given to us, and are constantly at the beck of faith, and we may always apply them to the achievement of the grand purposes for which they were given. "Cut the branch from the vine and it is not only fruitless, but it will die; but when associated with the vine, and nourished by its sap, it blooms and buds and bears fruit. So a Christian, separated from Christ, is not only fruitless, but will die, but when associated with Christ, and nourished by His grace, he brings forth fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life." Christ is the vine and we are the branches, and the sap, the life, the nourishment that comes from the vine to the branch is the grace of God, and the fruit is the result of the union of the two. Through Christ we can do all things

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WALLACK'S THEATRE.—Our Clerks.—Off the Line.—Ici on Parle Français.—Principal characters by Mr. Toole.

UNION SQUARE THEATRE.—Jane Eyre.—Miss Thompson, Miss Morant, Mr. Robinson, and Mr. Morris.

LYCEUM THEATRE.—La Princesse de Trebisonde.—Mlle. Aimée, Mlle. Gaudon, M. Duplan.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.—Venice Preserved.—Mr. McCullough, Mr. Warde, and Miss Brough.

BRYANT'S OPERA-HOUSE.—Minstrelsy.—Negro Delineations, &c.—Mr. Bryant, Mr. Seymour.

METROPOLITAN THEATRE.—Variety Entertainment.—Mme. Violette Ficaut and others.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.—Dramatic Performance afternoon and evening. Curiosities.

SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS.—Minstrelsy and Negro Comicalities.—Messrs. Birch, Wambold, and Backus.

BOWERY THEATRE.—Mazeppa.—Passion's Perils.—Mlle. Sanyeah and others.

TONY PASTOR'S OPERA-HOUSE.—Variety Entertainment.—Tony Pastor and others.

CENTRAL PARK GARDEN.—Summer Night's Concert.—By Theo. Thomas' Orchestra.

ROBINSON HALL.—Variety Entertainment.—Mlle. Delacour and others.

COLOSSEUM.—Paris by Night.—Miscellaneous.

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The result of the long conflict in the South Carolina Republican Convention is the nomination of Ex-Attorney General Chamberlain for Governor. Moses was sacrificed on the altar of expediency, and the Chamberlain faction profited by the sacrifice. But now an independent Republican convention, embracing many delegates who are dissatisfied with the nomination of Chamberlain, is announced. This looks, at a distance, a little like a movement for genuine reform; but the ways of South Carolina conventions are inscrutable. Chamberlain has announced his determination to undertake reform measures if elected. It is hardly worth while to comment upon either his nomination or his proposed action until we know what the Independent Convention has done. But it is safe to predict that South Carolina will insure good government only when she has put away from her all men who have been connected with the past dishonest administrations.

Maine to-day elects a Governor, Legislature, and five Congressmen. Last year there were three candidates for Governor, and Nelson Dingley, Republican, had a majority of 10,768 over all. This year Mr. Dingley has been renominated, and his former opponent, Mr. Titcomb, is once more put up against him by the Democrats. There is some commotion over the Congressional contest in the Portland district, but the main question seems to be the Senatorship, as the Legislature chosen to-day must elect a successor to Hon. Hannibal Hamlin, whose term of office expires March 4, 1875. There are several candidates in the field, and the situation has additional complications from the fact that local politicians have contrived to forestall the Senatorial election of two years hence to some extent. It is conceded that the vote will be light in nearly every part of the State, and that the canvass has been dull.

The latest report of the Administrator of Finance of New-Orleans shows an unsatisfactory condition of affairs. The whole volume of taxable property in the city is assessed at $123 40; and when the unpaid taxes of the present year are added to the above sum, the amount due the city will exceed five millions. If these taxes were paid, the entire floating and a portion of the bonded indebtedness of the metropolis could be at once taken up, and the city taxation could forthwith be reduced one-half. But the people cannot pay. Even those who would gladly submit to any extortion, rather than see the interests of the whole community suffer, have no money with which to liquidate the enormous tax-bills which have accumulated against them. Many prominent citizens of New-Orleans believe that, as the delinquent taxes cannot be rendered available, the city will be forced to an almost complete suspension of its operations. The outlook is certainly gloomy.

The death of M. Guizot, heretofore prematurely announced by the cable, is now definitely announced to have occurred yesterday. This aged statesman and philosopher has seen so many dynasties come and go in his own country that his death seems like the closing of an important historical epoch. Born before the Reign of Terror, he held office under Louis XVIII. and Louis Philippe, and was a conspicuous figure during the existence of two Empires and two Republics of France. Of late years he has contented himself with recording contemporaneous history; and, though denied that active participation in national politics that he at one time desired, it is safe to say that his works will endure long after posterity has forgotten politicians who have filled in their time a larger space than he in the present age.

NO-PARTY MEN.

A few newspapers, with some following, are just now very lachrymose and despondent on the subject of parties. With much sourness they declare that neither of the two great national parties should have the administration of the Government. It is evident, they say, that the party in power cannot be reformed, and that the party striving for power cannot be trusted with it. If this be true, it leaves the grumblers in an awkward dilemma. They do not propose any adequate remedy. We have scanned with great care the complaints that are made by discontented people and the newspapers that represent them. Not one has yet suggested any way out of the quagmire in which they profess to find themselves. Of so-called "independent" journals we seem to have great plenty; but while we affirm that independence in political journalism is essential to real influence, we must say that these independents are only neutral. Their strength is to sit still and growl at all the world. They are great on finding fault. It is so much easier to tear down than build up that they find great comfort in lazily pulling things to pieces. Somehow they fail to give us anything that shall take the place of that which they would bring down to the dust. If it is true that both the great political parties are dead and buried, as the Fentons and Cochranes declare, what is to become of us all on election day? We must have parties of some sort. In a republican government especially do we need active and dominant political organization. It would appear that the criticism of the no-party men is aimed at deterring men altogether from voting; it is not designed to reform anything.

We have great respect for small and earnest political organizations. Though they may be mistaken in their general aims, their honesty of purpose and devotion to a central idea may be heroic. But where is the reputable nucleus of any third party in this country to-day? It is easy to say that such a rallying point is found in reform. But what is to be reformed, and who are the reformers? So far as any national reform organization is concerned, there is not even the pretense of one; and the cry of "reform" is so vague and general that we are reminded of the plight of some New-England strikers, who, when asked to state the grievance for which they tumultuously demanded redress, were at loss what to say until one ingenious fellow raised a laugh by declaring that they wanted rum with their water. To be sure, we have innumerable "indictments of this corrupt Government," as the neutrals phrase it; but when people look at the morals and manners of the men who are so noisy on the subject of public honesty, they are moved to mirth. Fancy, if you can, the leaders in the latest reform movement—that at Cincinnati—reforming the Government of the United States! Whatever may have been the motives of the original agitators of that ill-starred expedition, it is notorious that it was burdened with all of the political adventurers and riff-raff who had been sifted out of the other living organizations. Yet, the no-party men keep up their jeremiad, continually complaining that there is no party worth the having; and they insist that somehow there should be a new organization for them. We do not see how they can be gratified unless they choose to form some sort of an unpatriotic association, which shall be pledged to sit still and find fault. The history of parties in this and other countries shows that the great mass of voters must be divided on vital questions. No party ever came into existence on a mere generality; none was ever borne to power on the abstract proposition that a new party would be a good thing to have in the country.

Very clearly it is the duty of every good citizen to exercise his privilege of casting a ballot for elective officers. As republican institutions are managed, it is necessary that parties with complete and widely ramifying machinery should be organized to bring forward and support candidates. Nobody has seriously proposed a disbanding of all parties with voluntary, individual, and unconcerted action by all voters as a substitute therefor. If the present political ills are so great as represented, there ought to be some means of reading them from the body politic, which is, after all, the source of all power, corrupted or uncorrupted. With the people ultimately rests the responsibility for the evils complained of. If, for example, there is a large element in the Republican Party, as alleged, which is disgusted with the management of affairs, can it not more effectually bring to pass a salutary change in affairs by insisting upon a reformation in their party than by folding hands and finding fault? The party now in power has the means, ability, and disposition to reform itself whenever necessary. It is not possible in existence without abuses creeping into it. But no party in this Republic since the foundation of the Government has ever exhibited such sensitiveness to criticism as the Republican Party. It was founded upon moral ideas; it has conducted the Government mainly by a policy of national and international honesty. Its peculiar pride to-day is that it is the sole defender of the nation's credit and the nation's honor, and that it stands by the nation's pledge to protect in their political rights all classes of citizens. There is nothing vague about this. If these objects are not worthy of the devotion of the voters of the Republic, we fail to see any that are more worthy. If any other organization, whether proposed by partisans or by no-party men, has any more definite or more vital purpose, we would like to hear of it.

THE ERA OF EXPOSITIONS.

The word "exposition," as applied in this country to industrial fairs, was, we believe, first adopted in 1867, when all France was in a ferment over the great festival on the Champ de Mars at Paris, and when the fallen Empire was at the height of its glory and success. The American public, always eager for novelties in language, and tired of the much-used phrase "Exhibition of the Mechanic Arts," and "Grand Fair," forthwith began to establish "Expositions." Even a country cattle-show now and then enjoyed the dignity of the name by which Napoleon's jubilee had been known, and every city in the land found occasion from time to time for the use of the name. Chicago, Cincinnati, Kansas City, Louisville, and Nashville have yearly fairs, which open in early Autumn and continue many months, and these also are generally called "Expositions." They are in some respects modeled after their Parisian prototype, and one or two of them, in all the displays of art and architecture, are proportionally quite as comprehensive. Their popularity has increased from year to year, until now they are one of the chief features of the amusement season in the provincial cities, and the *haut ton* thinks it no harm to promenade their galleries and lounge in their alcoves as regularly as it visits the opera or the grand balls of the season. Immense sums are lavished upon the preparations for these fairs; buildings are erected especially for them; steam power works the machinery on exhibition; pictures and statues are brought from far countries, and borrowed from the houses of the wealthy and the studios of artists; the foliage and blossoms of the tropics are concentrated in the halls; and bands blare. Spectators crowd, and speculators coin money, from week's end to week's end.

In Chicago, Cincinnati, and Louisville these fairs have been notable successes, and it is not without pride that Cincinnati registers 125,000 as the number of persons who visited her exhibition in nine days. The second year of the "Inter-State Industrial Exposition" at Chicago seems already marked by gratifying success. We do not quite agree with the exuberant Western reporter who says that these massive gatherings are "the apotheosis and the crowning of labor," but we believe that each and every one of them is productive of much good. They are doing an excellent work in the elevation of popular taste by liberal displays of pictures and statues. They are aiding in the development of the country by getting together vast collections of specimen minerals, cereals, and woods, and placing them within easy reach of the capitalists who could never spend time to go to the States and Territories where those specimens belong; and best of all, they are bringing the people together from all parts of the various States, and teaching them to know each other aright. They give comprehensive histories of the progress of industry in their own neighborhood, and constantly incite inventors and artists to new, albeit sometimes, perhaps, too hasty efforts. They are the "abstracts and brief chronicles" of the material progress of the West, and are gradually encouraging among the people the spirit which delights in the founding and embellishment of great museums, and which can thoroughly enjoy them and profit by them when established.

The deities of power and skill are naturally worshiped more than any others in these Expositions. There is no lack of display of massive wheel and tiniest needle, of hammers that can crush oaks or administer loving caresses, of machines that seem instinct with life, and almost have capacity for thought. The subtle workings of the American mind in progress toward perfection in the mechanic arts are fully exemplified in the Exposition galleries. There is much of dainty and delicate taste also perceptible in arrangement, and even crude new towns which effervesce into their first "permanent fair" have flower shows, and hang a few pictures beside the patchwork quilts and the elaborate specimens of job printing in their "art galleries." But there is not manifest as yet in any of these exhibitions a high and noble appreciation of the best art; the masses do not find the same comfort in the exquisite proportions of a Greek statue or the coloring of a perfect painting that they discover in the latest invention for the improvement of mowing or bread-baking. But the yearly appearance of fine works of art before the eyes of the public is doing its good work; it is giving the embryo artists, who, without the exhibitions, might have died and made no sign, the hint they have been waiting for.

Commercially considered, these Expositions are very valuable to the cities in which they are held. They make trade for those places, not only while the fairs are in session, but they lay the foundations of hundreds of permanent local enterprises. They are not merely large bazars where articles are exposed for sale—indeed, in the more important of them no buying or selling takes place. They are simply records of the year's work and epitomes of the neighborhood's activity. They directly promote commercial intercourse, and open new channels of trade between States. The influence of the Exposition at Louisville has been felt throughout Kentucky, and has done much to awaken the Kentuckians in the back country out of their lethargy into an enterprising frame of mind. And it is needless to add that they serve as the pretext for an immense amount of [illegible] cities whose rivalry is more or less spirited. If they were not such excellent advertisements they might possibly be less popular.

SCHOOLING FOR THE VAGRANT.

The great evil of street vagrancy among children has weighed upon this City since the memory of the oldest inhabitant. With the influx of a poor foreign population, the dregs of which were deposited here, there appeared the beginning of what has proved since a numerous class of homeless, vagrant, and street-wandering children. These ignorant and uncared for youth have laid the foundations of that "dangerous class" which has so cursed this Metropolis—which showed its head so ominously in the riots of 1863, and which manifests itself continually in crime, and disturbance, and disorder. Moralists have written and clergymen have preached over this evil. Institutions and asylums have been founded to diminish the misfortunes arising from it. Laws have been passed intended to restrain it. But childish vagrancy and ignorance still prevail in this City, though immensely diminished by the reformatory efforts directed against them. It is safe to say that but for the enterprises of private charity, this City would have seen a degree of juvenile crime and childish suffering never witnessed in a civilized community. Law has done comparatively little against the evil. Even popular education has not remedied it. If any of our readers, who have the opportunity, will compare the condition in this regard, of a large German city, like Berlin, for instance, with our own, they will see how low is our estate in the matter of the criminality and ignorance of children. The reason of the contrast is to be found in the fact that there is no law in this City for enforced education. In one of our own cities, on the other hand, where there is a compulsory law—Boston—there is no childish vagrancy. Wherever, in this country or Europe, law compels school education, there the vagrancy of children is broken up and youthful crime diminishes.

The Legislature has at length, on the earnest appeal of all classes of the community, put into the hands of the school authorities throughout the State the power of enforcing school attendance and breaking up truancy and vagrancy. But the rural school boards will look especially to the Board of Education of this City for an example in carrying out this new law. By this act (Chapter 1,421) the Board of Education can, after the 1st of January next, "make all needful provisions, rules, and regulations concerning habitual truants," and street-wandering children between eight and fourteen years of age, "having no lawful occupation or business, and growing up in ignorance." These rules shall be such as will be "most conducive to the welfare of such children and to the good order of such city or town."

They are also empowered to provide suitable places for the discipline, instruction, and confinement of these children, and may call upon the Police to enforce their rules. The law certainly gives the Board of Education almost unlimited power over the matter of juvenile vagrancy and truancy, and, with its other provisions, to enforce education on the whole class of street children. But precisely from the broad sweep of the law we have fears that the board will do nothing. They will undoubtedly attempt at first to strike at truancy and childish vagrancy, *as such*, and will not succeed. Then discouragements will come, and they will refrain from doing anything because they could not do all.

Though the law gives them the privilege, they should not for a moment think of punishing vagrancy by opening new asylums or reformatories. There are plenty of these already which are not half filled. Nor, if they attempt it, will they easily succeed in committing the street-children as "vagrants." Almost all the children of the street have a nominal occupation. They are blackening boots, sweeping sidewalks, peddling, selling newspapers, and the like. No Judge will commit them as having nothing to do. They all profess to have a domicile. They sleep at the Boys' and Girls' Lodging-houses of the Children's Aid Society, or they board in low lodgings, or live at home. Though really vagrant, they are not legally so, and the Board of Education would soon discover their powerlessness in proceedings against them for this offense. Shall the board on this account abandon the whole effort to educate these children?

By all means, no. They can secure their object under this very law. Let them pass an ordinance similar to the "Boston Ordinance," requiring each child engaged in a street-trade to hold a certificate of school-attendance, either of fourteen weeks day-attendance or twenty-eight weeks half-time in the year preceding, and compelling them to show this certificate to any Police officer demanding it. Any child refusing to comply, or having no such certificate, should be at once arrested and brought before a Police Justice. He would, perhaps, be released with a warning, for the first offense, and would probably at once betake himself to an "industrial" or "night school." For the second offense, the Judge would, in all probability commit him to some reformatory. The terror of the punishment would soon pervade the whole class; and there would be a rush for the night schools, or half time schools. The large class of youth busy in street trades, or pretending these as their avocation, would be compelled to obtain school-training. School-discipline soon breaks up vagrancy, and implants good and industrious habits. And what the school failed to do the reformatory would effect. The Board of Education of this City have this great opportunity. Will they carry out the law, and thus efficiently serve the public?

THE FRAULEIN BOOMERSHINE.

An incident not without value as showing the effect of certain forms of diet in producing changes in the human system in harmony with the character of the food, but quite out of the usual order of things, is printed in the columns of the St. Joe *Herald*. We commend it to the naturalist of the period. It throws considerable light on the "new materialism," and opens up an interesting field of possible experiment. The substance of the story is this: Near the western line of Phillips County, Kansas, there resides a family which brought from Germany, by the way of Georgia, the pleasing name of Boomershine. Of [illegible] its eldest daughter, to whose charms it was no drawback that she had acquired, among the aristocratic associations of Georgia, the distinctly Caucasian habit of "poking," and even of eating clay. This habit she maintained with energy after her removal to Kansas. Early in the Summer there came upon Kansas the plague of grasshoppers, and in the course of the process of covering the surface of the State and devouring every green thing that grew on it, these visitors settled on the land of the Boomershines, and remained there until, having made a deposit of their eggs, and secured such perpetuation of their species as the "struggle for existence" might permit, they were ready to arise and depart. Whatever deprivation others may have suffered from the stay of the grasshoppers, Miss Boomershine, for the time being, suffered none, because she went on consuming her daily allowance of clay in spite of them, perceiving no change, unless a slight accession of flavor in her accustomed dish, as of a *sauce aux œufs de sauterilles*. "A short time ago," however, says the St. Joe *Herald*, "she began complaining of an uneasy feeling in her interior, and commenced gradually swelling up, like one with dropsy." This was followed by a noteworthy change in her appetite. She ceased to long for the toothsome clay, and declined to either eat it or vex with it her rosy gums. On the contrary, she utterly repudiated it, and, instead, fixed her desires on "blades of corn, leaves of trees, dog-fennel, and other weeds," for which, in the language of the local chronicler, she "seemed to hanker." Nor was this all. The young lady remarked to her friends that she frequently felt as if she could take wings and fly away. To avoid any such premature departure, her family called in a neighboring physician, Dr. Le Duc, by name, of Phillipsburg. This gentleman immediately gave an opinion which stamps him as an upright and candid, if not a very experienced physician. He said "he had never met with a case of the kind before in his practice, or read of one in the books." He was clearly right. Nebuchadnezzar's, if we recollect correctly, was somewhat similar, but fell far short of the peculiarity of Miss Boomershine's. "Things," we are told, "went on thus, until one day the grasshoppers commenced rising and taking their flight." Then occurred the most remarkable feature of the case, and one that we venture to say not Dr. Le Duc only, but all other physicians, have failed to find the like of. "The girl looked at the grasshoppers awhile, when, unable to restrain herself any longer, she rushed out of the house, flapped her arms as if they were wings, rose about ten feet in the air, and then fell to the ground dead."

"The thing we long for, that we are for one transcendant moment," says Mr. Lowell. But this is only a sentimental way of describing what was obviously a purely "material" phenomenon, and which, as proved by the sagacious Dr. Le Duc, was due to purely material causes. The Doctor made a post mortem examination of the unfortunate maiden, "which," says the *Herald*, "revealed the wonderful fact that her inside was literally swarming with full-grown grasshoppers. The theory is," continues the reporter, "that she ate of the clay in which the insects had deposited their eggs; they were hatched out inside of her; her appetite partook of theirs; and when the time came for the grasshoppers to migrate, instinct directed those inside of her to do the same." To remove any possible doubts that may rest in the mind of the skeptical, "Dr. Le Duc has preserved a jar of grasshoppers, which he intends depositing in the Smithsonian Institute at Washington, and in the various museums throughout the country."

If any of our readers are unable to see in the eggs of the grasshopper dropped on the clay of the Boomershine property "the promise and potency of every form and quality of life" subsequently manifested by the flapping and flying Fraulein, we suggest that he take a look at one of these preserved grasshoppers and dismiss his doubts. If this does not convince him, nothing will.

DISCIPLINE IN THE FRENCH ARMY.

In a Ministerial circular recently issued, Gen. De Cissey, Minister of War, calls the attention of his subordinates to certain principles of military discipline, and to established rules in regard to the right of giving publicity to their views on military matters. He considers this right dangerous, as apt to lead to useless disclosures, and to undesirable criticisms of existing military departments, and he cautions all officers against making any communication to newspapers or scientific societies without his previous sanction.

This is calling in question, indeed it is summarily disposing of, the right of army officers to make their opinions public. Already, in 1835 and in 1841, Marshal Maisons and Marshal Soult had occasion to deal with the same question, and did so in a rather peremptory style. Their orders confined it within the narrowest possible limits, and no voice was then heard in opposition to their views. It was then almost a maxim among French officers that all publications involving professional discussion among themselves were deemed offensive, and the right of the Minister to stop them, or at least to control them, was unchallenged. But a different opinion has since been formed on the subject by many distinguished men, and the arguments advanced by them lack neither force nor justice.

It is absurd to believe, as the ministerial circular implies, that to criticise a law is the first step toward disrespect and insubordination. No legislator can presume to place his laws above public examination. A law has a claim on our respect. When properly enacted and sanctioned, it is to be obeyed. But there is no obligation for a blind and implicit faith in its perfection. On the contrary, all those who are able to judge it on its merits have a right to do so, and anyone is entitled to consideration and thanks who can show its shortcomings and deficiencies. By advocating and hastening the reform of a vicious bill, he is instrumental in removing a source of evil. Instead, therefore, of being hampered in the exercise of the right of criticism, he should be sustained and encouraged.

If the discipline of the army were endangered by a similar privilege, there would be good cause for withholding from the officers a right which in civil matters other citizens enjoy. But this is not the case. There [illegible] dicious criticism of imperfections inherent to the War Department, or in a demand for reform in military laws and organization. A writing intended to throw light on things relating to the army is not likely to do any harm. We should rather be apprehensive of evil from the forced silence of those who are most interested in military matters and most able to speak of them.

It is feared that writings emanating from officers of all ranks might sometimes be offensive and insulting to their superiors. If so, the latter have the right of repression, and can use it according to military statutes. Liberty implies responsibility, and officers who forget what they owe to their superiors and themselves, are answerable to the penal law, in proportion to the gravity of the offense. Besides, the denial of the liberty of writing is not likely to prevent libelous writings, which would still be published anonymously, or under assumed names.

Much evil may often be averted by timely and accurate information on things needed to bring an armed force up to the required standard, and nobody is so able to supply such information as well-trained and thoughtful officers. They, better than anyone else, can appreciate the qualities of certain administrative measures, the advantages or shortcomings of existing regulations, and the expediency of proposed reforms. It is indispensable to grant them the liberty to write about it, if it be at all desirable that the public should know something. Col. Denfert, who distinguished himself in the last war by the heroic defense of Belofrt, and who is a competent judge in the matter, says that if such a liberty had been in existence under Napoleon III., if the publication of books and articles on the services of the War Department had been freely allowed, it would not have been so easy for Marshal Lebœuf in 1870 to affirm that the army was ready, and France might have been spared the terrible lesson she was taught through the war.

It may then be assumed that the liberty of writing in the army is not fraught with any danger to discipline, but that it is conducive to the instruction of the army, favorable to a proper control of the War Department; and that it ought to be limited or restrained only in cases where secrecy would be deemed necessary for the sake of a military operation and in the interest of the country.

BAVARIA AND HER KING.

Dr. Johnson told Boswell that those English Kings who were endowed with good abilities mixed much with their subjects on easy terms, and pointed to Charles II. as an example. Certainly in these days, Kings and Queens, whether of good abilities or not, seem to like mingling with the crowd. Few people, we imagine, would be more surprised at the changes time has wrought than Louis le Grand, if he could come to life to-day and find an Emperor and King in his capital going about like any one else, and learn that the wife of the first was touring about England, stopping at hotels, and "doing" the sights, with merely a lady and gentleman in attendance, just as Mrs. Brown or Smith might with a couple of friends.

The modern monarch is, indeed, a person of simple, sometimes even frugal, habits. Potsdam under Frederick, rather than Versailles under Louis XIV., sets the fashion, and the forms and ceremonies and gorgeous paraphernalia of the latter would bore the crowned heads of the nineteenth century to distraction. A greater contrast in Kings could scarcely be presented than the King of Bavaria, as described by our correspondent, driving about Paris and inspecting the fountains of Versailles, attired in tweed suit and billycock hat, with, no doubt, a cigar in his mouth, and Louis XIV., in velvet and flowing periuke, looking at the same fountains from that same terrace. Further, we are told that he drops in at the Boulevard cafés for ices, and only consents to stay with the German Ambassador on the express understanding that not the slightest fuss is on any account to be made about him.

In after years the memoirs of this monarch's life will excite great interest. He is really an original character, and lives an original life. It is now ten years since he came to the throne, and he is twenty-nine years of age. By one of those fortunate accidents of birth which seem so rare, he happened to be born sovereign of about the only kingdom where his eccentricities would meet with toleration and his peculiar tastes with sympathy. The easy-going lager-loving, waltzing, musical Bavarian is not the man to quarrel with his King for preferring operas to politics, and art to aggrandizement.

An American may reflect with pride that the prosperity of the happy country over which King Ludovic reigns with such easy head is in no slight degree the work of one of their own countrymen. It was Benjamin Thompson, of Rumford, Conn., afterward so famous as Count of that ilk, who taught the Elector, toward the close of the last century, to develop the resources of his country and check the abuses which prevailed. It was he who suppressed the frightful mendicity which prevailed—a mendicity without a parallel in history; who introduced something like sanitary arrangements into Munich; who established the military workhouse which furnished clothing for fifteen Bavarian regiments. It was Count Rumford, too, who stimulated a taste for horticulture and landscape gardening by converting into that retreat—of which all who have known Munich carry away so pleasant a recollection—an environ which had been as wild and neglected as Central Park was twenty years ago. All his ingenuity was spent upon a plan by which he might render the garden attractive as a place of resort to the higher classes and a place of carefully guarded amusement to the lower. He thus gradually educated the people of Bavaria up to that condition in which they now are, and the splendid city of Munich, with its population tripled since his day, is in no slight degree his work, for the late munificent King Louis found greatly through Rumford's means a people prepared to accept and appreciate embellishments. The present King reaps the accumulated fruit of the services of Rumford and of his royal predecessor, and adding his own predilections for art and music to the stock he found, has been instrumental in giving Munich a peculiar reputation as the [illegible] capital of Germany. Thus, although [illegible] not do at all for all Kings to be thinking that in the main this sensible and singular young man suits his country and his country suits him. And what more could be desired. In an age conspicuous for materialism, it is well that there should be a monarch and a people whose thoughts and interests take another turn.

AMUSEMENTS.

TO-NIGHT'S PROMISE.

Otway's tragedy of "Venice Preserved"—*sauce Bouciault*—will be performed at Booth's Theatre this evening. Mr. McCullough is to fill the principal rôle in the work, the production of which will also be the occasion of the début, in America, of Miss Brough. At Wood's Museum "The Lady of Lyons" will be acted this afternoon, and "Under the Gaslight" this evening. To-night the Colosseum may be visited for the first time this season. At Barnum's Hippodrome, day and night, Mr. Weston continues his walk. No change of bill is disclosed by the announcements from other places of amusement.

THE PARK THEATRE.

The Park Theatre will be reopened Wednesday evening, when the play of "The Gilded Age," founded on Mark Twain's novel bearing the same title, is to be represented. Mr. John T. Raymond will personate *Col. Mulberry Sellers*, and a strong company is to surround that clever and popular comedian. It is to be hoped that "The Gilded Age" may prove a golden one for the Park Theatre. Mr. Stuart's new house has certainly not been spoiled by prosperity.

DOMESTIC NOTES.

Mrs. Lander was last week in Albany....Mr. E. L. Davenport was at the Cincinnati Opera House.....Mr. Oliver Doud Byron was at Wood's....Two new theatres in Toronto are to be opened within a fortnight. Mr. Morrison's Grand Opera House, on Adelaide street, will accommodate 1,500 spectators; the Royal Opera House, on King street West, will seat 1,450 persons....Mr. Edwin Adams has opened the season at De Bar's, in St. Louis....Mr. W. J. Florence has opened the season at the Pittsburg Opera House, in "Ellsen Oge."....Mr. Jefferson acted last week at McVicker's Theatre, in Chicago....Mr. W. M. Perry, late a member of the company at Wood's Theatre, in Cincinnati, died in that city, last week, of consumption....The Vokes Family, at last advices, had closed their engagement at the California Theatre in San Francisco, and Mrs. Chanfrau was to succeed them....A San Francisco paper says: "Miss Adelaide Lee-Neilson will return to San Francisco next April. She will find the "Neilson Hat" fever at its height then, judging by the progress it has already made—at least one in three of her sex wear them now."....Mr. McCullough is expected in California in November....Mr. Mayo was last week at the Boston Theatre, where Mr. Chanfrau follows him to-morrow....Miss Weathersby and a burlesque troupe were at Ford's, in Washington....Mr. John E. Owens was last week at the Arch Street Theatre in Philadelphia....The Philadelphia *Evening Bulletin* has the following critique on Miss Olive Logan's new play: "Miss Logan," says the writer, "began the second week of her engagement at the Walnut Street Theatre with another new comedy written by herself and entitled 'A Will and a Way.' This drama in some respects is an improvement upon that produced last week, but it has many of the same faults, and a few from which the other is free. There is a similar want of completeness, manifested in the abrupt ending of scenes which promise to be important, the introduction of characters which do not fulfill reasonable expectation, and the utter disregard of everything in the nature of a climax. But in this respect the present play, upon the whole, is somewhat better than 'The Woman Who Talks,' for there is a coherent, although very slight, plot, and the two or three best characters in the piece are permitted to do something more than merely dawdle round in a condition of unhappiness and imbecility. Some of the things that are said by these people are bright and smart, and there are two or three epigrams—noticeably one in the second act, where *Mr. Tomkinson* makes love in a mechanical way, as if somebody was turning a crank in his leg—which are full of the true spirit of comedy. We like that creation of *Tomkinson*, too. We hope it is original, and we know it is good. *Doble*, a rural cab-driver, is a clever idea, but he is wasted upon one brief scene. *Wm. Henry* is entertaining, but we have seen him before. *Miss Scratchley* also is amusing, and with a little more room for action she would make a good comedy figure. The heroine, *Miss Tomkinson*, is, perhaps, the best of all. *Algernon* is simply a melancholy and hopeless ass. He is an exasperating ass, but the effect he has upon the audience is soothing and comforting when it is compared with that produced by the youth named *Lewis*. We will not attempt to describe *Lewis*; but if we could only kick him! *Judge Porter* is an utter failure, and the two servant girls are grimly ridiculous. Miss Logan cannot make the modern hired girl comic. That requires an effort of transcendent genius. The subject is too solemn to be trifled with. She might as well try to parody a funeral. We have these especial faults to find with the play: It contains, first, a vast amount of stuff which outrages probability entirely; and when comedy does that it becomes merely burlesque. The scenes between *Algernon* and the heroine are too extravagant for toleration in a play which pretends to represent any form of social life. The conduct of the servant girls is simply farcical; nothing of the kind could possibly occur under the conditions represented. The plan devised for breaking the will, by *Tomkinson* making love to another woman—in such a wooden way, too—could hardly effect the object anywhere outside the jurisdiction of lynch law. The sudden change in *Algernon's* feelings and conduct cannot be accounted for upon any reasonable theory, and the behavior of *Lewis* would clearly entitle that person to be led off somewhere and shot. And second, while these things are objectionable upon the ground that they do violence to usage and good sense, some other things are said and suggested in the play which are essentially vulgar and offensive to ordinary good taste. We should be glad to think that this is not intentional, but the fact remains, no matter what the design may have been. It is not a pleasant task to say this, for we have a desire to display the greatest courtesy to Miss Logan; but we should avoid a part of the truth that ought to be told if we said less, or if we spoke of the performance as possessing refinement and elegance. It certainly has not these characteristics, but it has others which convince us that the actress can hardly succeed in reaching the height to which she aspires. It is, perhaps, more cruel to give lavish praise where it is not deserved than to be frank in confessing the absence of qualities which are requisite to success."

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Mlle. Beatrice has appeared in "The Sphinx" at the Haymarket Theatre, in London. The *Court Circular* says of the play and performance: "It is not easy to see why 'The Sphinx' should have been deemed worthy of production before an English audience. It is true that it has made a sensation in Paris, but that was only on account of the sensational death in the last act, and the fact that Mlle. Croizette played the part. The piece is clumsily constructed, and lacks dramatic incident, except at the end, and was certainly not worthy of being introduced to us in an English dress. It must be noted, however, that the adapter, Mr. Campbell Clarke, has translated the piece with all possible fidelity and grace, and any shortcomings, therefore, must be attributed to M. Octave Feuillet, and not to his English translator. We need not now detail the plot, which will have for long been familiar to our readers; as is well known, it is not a peculiarly savory one, and deals with questions generally tabooed on the English stage. We may pass then to the acting, and in the first place we compliment Mlle. Beatrice upon her impersonation of *Blanche de Chelles*. The part is a very difficult one, not because it makes specially heavy demands upon an actress, but because it is so wholly unsympathetic. Mlle. Beatrice, however, grasped it, and played it remarkably well."....Mr. D'Oyley Carte has brought out at the London Opera Comique an English version of M. Serpette's opera bouffe "La Branche Cassée," and his venture has proved successful....Under the continued management of Mr. F. B. Chatterton, Drury Lane Theatre was to be opened at once for the Autumnal and Winter season. The opening programme comprises a reproduction of the spectacular drama of "Amy Robsart," and a revival of the last grand comic Christmas annual of "Jack in the Box." Miss Wallis was to play *Amy Robsart*...."The Field of the Cloth of Gold" had been performed at the Strand Theatre for the four-hundredth time....Mr. Conquest, supported by the original cast of "Hand and Glove," had been engaged to give four performances of this drama at the Crystal Palace in October....The Surrey Theatre will produce Mr. George Roberts' dramatized version of Mr. George Manville Fenn's "Ship Ahoy"....Sir Julius Benedict has, it is stated, been visiting the chief music schools of Italy and Germany in order to examine the principles and systems on which they are worked....Mr. Henry Russell writes to the London *Daily News*: "Mr. Maccabe has done me the honor to reproduce me in a wig of flowing curls and a song of my own composition. To this I have no objections. We live in an age of travesty, and this much at least may be said of curls, they shock nobody's modesty. Dan critics, in reviewing this gentleman's amiable burlesque, insist upon speaking of the original as the late Mr. Henry Russell. Now, to be mutilated and buried in the same breath is a little too much. Remember, I am not yet dead, though of my musical demise there can be no question, since my ghost is every night singing a song to the British public. Posthumous fame is the only consolation left to the unsuccessful

NEW-JERSEY DEMOCRACY.

THE CONTEST FOR THE NOMINATION FOR THE GOVERNORSHIP.

A LIVELY FIGHT BETWEEN THE FRIENDS OF BEDLE AND PERRY—BEDLE TO RECEIVE THE NOMINATION—DEPRESSION OF THE PARTY.

From Our Own Correspondent.

MORRISTOWN, Friday, Sept. 11, 1874.

The desperate struggle that has been going on in the Democratic camp between the Randolph and Perry men for the past few weeks has culminated in Perry's complete overthrow. Previous to the holding of the Republican Convention, and the publication of Judge Bedle's letter to a Mr. Knapp of Bergen County—who is a hungry aspirant for the Judge's seat—defining his position, in the event of his nomination, the friends of Mr. Perry were confident that their champion would receive the Democratic nomination for Governor of this State. But Mr. Halsey's unanimous nomination, combined with its hearty acceptance by the party, and in some notable instances without regard to party, has produced a most depressing effect upon Democratic expectations, and resulted in the final overthrow of Mr. Perry, and the reopening of the Bedle campaign. When Judge Bedle's letter first appeared, the Democratic managers throughout the State—his friends as well as opponents—felt that to nominate him, in the face of its declared statements that he would continue to hold on to his Judgeship until elected, would prove disastrous. Therefore those who were not bound to him by consanguinity, as in Ex-Gov. Randolph's case, or expected to receive office, or continue in office, as in the case of Kelsey, Secretary of State and Insurance Commissioner; Little, Clerk in Chancery, or Lee, Clerk of the Supreme Court, abandoned him and gravitated toward Perry, who seemed to be possessed of sufficient personal strength to draw them to his support. Ex-Gov. Randolph, who had expectations of his own, and the Democratic office-holders, for reasons given above, continued to champion Mr. Randolph's relative and protégé. The patronage of the lucrative offices they held—perhaps three of the most lucrative in the United States—enabled them, with Mr. Randolph's known moneyed and railroad connections, to control the principal Democratic newspapers in the State. For example: The Newark *Journal* and Jersey City *Standard*—Mr. Randolph's especial organs—Mr. Kelsey's paper in Sussex, and Mr. Little's and Lee's papers in South Jersey. These disinterested patriots set themselves to work to manufacture public opinion to order, and in favor of Judge Bedle. In Hudson County, where the "Pavement Ring" is supposed to "manage things"—and where Judge Bedle had engendered hostile, opposition—State Senators were made and unmade with diurnal regularity. Through the Newark *Journal*, and by a judicious disbursement of promises of preferment, Essex was to be controlled—or enough of it to defeat Mr. Perry's chances before the convention. To the paternal care of Messrs. Little and Lee was consigned the manipulation of South Jersey. Against so formidable a combination, stretching in all directions throughout the State, it seemed useless to contend. Mr. Perry's immediate followers seemed discouraged, and were preparing to accept their fate. They placed little hope upon the Parker wing of their party, of which the Governor is the figure-head simply, and who are bound together by the cohesive power of a common hatred of Randolph and his wing, for their leaders, like unto their more successful rivals, were likewise ambitious to serve their State in almost any capacity that a generous and confiding constituency might elect. Judge Bedle was himself the sole disturber of this pleasant programme. His indiscreet letter, never originally intended for publication, was extracted from him by some marplots, and it was generally conceded that the Judge had committed political hari-kari. Jerseymen are proverbially jealous of their public servants, particularly of their Judges. They have old-fashioned ideas of the whiteness of the ermine, and it makes them twinge to see a candidate hold fast to one position as a stepping-stone to another, or to use their judicial vantage ground for their own political elevation. This accusation was swung against Bedle with more staggering force, since he has been accused in divers instances of uttering decisions from the bench which were envenomed by his own political hatreds. Again the Perry men took heart. His well-known energy and political sagacity pointed to him as an excellent leader. But the Randolph Ring never yielded to the fears of the rank and file. They declared they would fight it out in the convention, and this threat has brought their opponents to terms.

Halsey's unanimous nomination and the enthusiasm which it has everywhere inspired has made it an absolute necessity for the Democratic candidate to get a propitious send-off. Therefore Perry's friends, who followed him only from expediency and not from personal loyalty or hope of office, appear to have yielded, so that Judge Bedle can secure the unanimous support of the convention. It remains to be seen whether the ungenerous attacks of the ring upon Mr. Perry, in their organs throughout the State, will strengthen the Judge in the canvass As the campaign develops, and Judge Bedle comes to be known as one of the narrowest and bitterest of political partisans, the Democracy will discover the mistake of throwing aside so popular a man as the Mayor of Newark.

The most discouraging fact in the Democratic situation is that they have not chosen their position, but have been forced into it. Although there has been much sentimental talk about a candidate of the people and not of the politicians, the discordant elements of the party have been obliged to accept Judge Bedle solely as the protégé of the most powerful ring in their party. No one who has closely watched public opinion in this State can fail to see the depression and despair that pervades the party. There is little doubt but their fears will be prophetic of their defeat.

CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

SOME OF THE RESULTS OF MR. HOWE'S CHARGES AGAINST THE COMMISSIONERS.

The position of the Commissioners of Charities and Correction becomes daily more unpleasant, and their contract business, as hitherto conducted, according to Commissioner Howe's report, is bringing them no end of odium, which can only be removed by a fair refutation of that officer's charges. The public in general, to say the least, are dubious about Commissioners Stern and Laimbeer's methods of flour and dry-goods purchasing, and many people are now beginning to regard certain little events of last year as untowardly coincidental. Take for example Mr. Laimbeer's opposition to the appointment, of "Nosey" Quinn to be Warden of the Tombs as far back as July, 1873. At that time Mr. Laimbeer, it is alleged, refused positively to have anything to do with Stern's man—Quinn. This was before the contracts with Sternbach and Mayor Havemeyer's son and sons-in-law, Messrs. Armstrong and Morrison, for butter and tea had been awarded, and also before the flour had been contracted for. But in August of the same year these contracts were arranged as indicated, Mr. Laimbeer's brother, a member of the Produce Exchange, negotiating the flour, and the Havemeyer relatives the butter and tea. In 1874 Mr. Quinn got his appointment without any opposition from Commissioner Laimbeer, who, it was thought, was managed by Oliver Charlick. In reference to the dry-goods purchases, people ask did Commissioner Stern ever personally endeavor to buy goods, and has he ever intimated to a particular house that he could not purchase any more from that establishment, as there was not money enough in the transaction. Rumors are now current that Mr. Stern adopted such a course. A case in point is that Jacob Sternbach, although the goods bought by Sternbach were delivered upon the sidewalk of No. 31 Church street, and that he was always there to receive them. Commissioner Stern is particularly unfortunate in having curious acquaintances, who persist in saying, in relation to the coupé matter, that it goes to Seventy-second street in the morning, takes Mr. Stern to the office and then to his store in South Fifth avenue. At night it carries him to the theatres or elsewhere, and on Sunday to the Park. The driver is said to be a paid employe of the City, and the horse bought by City money. The coupé, too, it is alleged, was purchased in November, 1873, and the manufacturer did not get paid for it until March, 1874.

PISTOL PRACTICE FOR NEW-JERSEY'S POLICE.

TWO OFFICERS FIRING AT A DRUNKEN MAN—WOUNDED BY A STRAY BULLET.

The residents of that part of Jersey City which was formerly known as Bergen, were intensely excited Saturday night and yesterday in consequence of a shooting affray which occurred there about midnight Saturday. The trouble originated in a saloon kept by a man named Meehan, on Communipaw avenue. The place was crowded all the evening, for it was an opening, and drinking was indulged in very freely. About 11 o'clock two young men named William Bayley and George Kelly came in and took a drink. Kelly then sat down on a barrel. The proprietor told him to get up, but he did not move. Then a policeman named Martin Kelly, who was not on duty nor in uniform, but who seemed to be directing affairs, volunteered his services to eject the intruder, and, seizing him by the collar, dragged him off the barrel. Kelly remonstrated, when the officer struck him a severe blow in the eye and pitched him into the street. Bayley followed, and he and Kelly stood on the corner talking in a loud tone about the matter, and indulging in threats of violence. They were both intoxicated, and made so much noise that the attention of Officer Duncan was attracted, and he approached and ordered them to move on. They refused, and the officer took them into custody. As he was moving away with them Officer Martin Kelly ran out of the saloon and, seizing Kelly, declared that he would take care of that one. He struck the prisoner again, and then started with him to the Station-house. At that moment Bayley broke away from Officer Duncan and started to run down the street. Duncan called on him to stop, and then drawing his revolver fired a shot after the fugitive. The shot did not seem to take effect, for Bayley continued to run, and some one commenced to shout "murder." Officer Lott, who was on an adjoining post, heard the cry, and, seeing the man running, pulled his revolver and fired three shots at him, and another shot, it is said, was fired immediately afterward, but it is not known who fired it. One of the shots took effect in the fugutive's head, a little above and behind the left ear, and brought him to the ground. He was picked up and carried to the Fourth Precinct Station-house. Dr. Viers was immediately summoned, and probed the wound. After some difficulty he succeeded in finding the bullet lodged in a cavity below the ear, and extracted it. The wounded man was taken to the City Hospital, where he now lies in a very precarious condition. About 12 o'clock yesterday a change for the worse took place in his condition. Information was sent to Chief Champney that the man was dying, and he immediately procured a carriage and took Justice Keese to the hospital for the purpose of taking the dying man's deposition. When they arrived there they found his condition considerably improved, and the resident physician said there was no immediate danger of death, although the probabilities of recovery are very slight.

Chief Champney made an investigation of the case yesterday. Officer Duncan declares he fired but one shot, Officer Lott admits firing three, but who fired the fifth shot said to have been fired cannot be ascertained. An examination of the officers' pistols corroborated their statements, three chambers of Lott's being found empty, and one of Duncan's. The bullet which was extracted from the wound does not fit the weapons of either of these two officers. Two chambers of Officer Kelly's pistol were found to be empty, and the bullet taken from the wound fits it, but Kelly says he did not have the weapon with him that night, but left it at home. The prisoner Kelly, whom he took to the station-house, corroborates the officer's statement, and says that he did not fire any shot. The utmost indignation is felt and expressed for the recklessness displayed by Officer Duncan in firing at a man who was guilty of no greater crime than drunkenness. Even if he had escaped he was well known, and could have been found by the Police at any time he was wanted. None of the officers has been arrested, and they were allowed to go on duty last night as usual.

A KENTUCKY STORY.

AN OLD DARKEY CONSTRUCTS A WONDERFUL MACHINE, AND BECOMES THE VICTIM OF HIS OWN INGENUITY.

From the Franklin (Ky.) Patriot, Sept. 5.

We referred, a few weeks ago, to an invention called "perpetual motion," constructed by an old negro who lives three miles west of this place. It is a wagon, so arranged that, after being set in motion, it runs itself by virtue of the fact that the weight of gravitation is thrown forward of the centre of motion, and consequently the machine is compelled to run. It has been the intention of the inventor to have his wagon at the fair on the 9th of September, so that its value may be tested publicly in presence of the thousands of people who will be present; and we learn from one of our best mechanics that last Wednesday—the same day of the circus—the old negro mounted the machine, adjusted the bands, tipped the balance-weight over the centre of motion, gave the driving-wheel a shove, and started for Franklin, to report to John B. Montague, Secretary of the association, and have his machine regularly entered on the books. About one mile this side of the old negro's home there is a noted point called "Red Pond," immediately at the forks of the Cross Plains and Springfield roads, and here, unfortunately, an accident occurred which we fear will cause a disappointment to many inventors who were coming to our fair for the purpose of examining this wonderful invention. The machine was humming along the smooth, sandy road at about fifteen miles an hour, and the happy inventor was on deck, feeling as proud as Fulton on board his first steam-boat, when, in making the turn just near the margin of the Red Pond, the starboard front wheel collided with a heavy-set post-oak sapling, and the rebound was so powerful that the old negro was thrown forward over the dashboard, and was at the same time struck by the flange of the driving-wheel, which precipitated his speed so much that, when his head struck the fence panel on the opposite side of the road he was so badly smashed that his death must have taken place immediately. Coroner Hatfield's inquest was unnecessary as to whether he had been killed by a sudden stroke of the driving-wheel or by a too hasty collision with a panel of the fence. The machine, after this accident, struck out with freedom, and, passing the residence of Capt. Lea, soon made its way across in the direction of Boisseau's meadow, but was arrested in its progress by a large log, which tilted the balance-weight back of the centre of motion, and the wild wagon was standing gently at rest when overtaken by the Coroner and his party, who were following along to take care of the killed and wounded. Since the tragic death of the inventor no man has dared to mount the fiery, untamed steed, but our informant assures us that it will be on exhibition at the fair grounds, and we invite the attention of inventers and machinists to its peculiar mechanism. We will not vouch for any man's life who mounts it and sets it in motion in a timbered locality, but it can be managed safely on the half-mile track on the fair grounds, and will be put to its best speed, if any man can be found who is competent to guide it.

A DISCLAIMER FROM GEN. EARLY.

Gen. Jubal A. Early has addressed the following note to the editor of the Lynchburg *Virginian*:

MR. EDITOR: I find copied into another paper a brief paragraph from the Winchester *Times*, attributing to me the authorship of an article in the August number of *Blackwood's Magazine* on the book of the Comte De Paris, one or two volumes of which have lately appeared, as I learn from the press. Not being willing to wear borrowed colors, and fully appreciating the very high compliment paid to me by my friend of the Winchester *Times*, in attributing to me the authorship of the article in question, I must say that I am not only not the author of that article but I had no knowledge of its existence until my attention was called to it by another friend, who likewise attributed to me its authorship. I have never seen the published volumes of the Comte De Paris' book, or the initial chapters which have been reviewed, and I have no knowledge whatever of the authorship of the article in *Blackwood*. That article is a very able one, and shows a very intimate knowledge of the history of our country, and the causes which led to the late war. I trust, therefore, that some of our journals will publish it, in order that it may be generally read. Respectfully,

J. A. EARLY.

PRIZE-FIGHT AT SANDS POINT.

A disgusting prize-fight took place at Sands Point at 6 o'clock yesterday morning, between Peter Donavan, a West-side rough, and John Doyle, a laborer in one of the gas works, the stakes being a purse of $200. John Schofield and Peter Maloney were seconds for Donavan, Edward Hammond and Joseph McGinnis performed similar offices for Doyle. After eight rounds had been fought, Doyle attempted to "gouge" out his opponent's eye. This led to an altercation between the seconds, and the proceedings terminated in a free fight. The Referee declared the contest a "draw," and left the ring. The fighting was continued by the roughs during the return to the boat, clubs and the butt-ends of pistols being freely used. Doyle returned on a tug-boat to the City, and Donovan was conveyed in a yacht to City Point. The crowd started at 1 o'clock A. M. from East River, foot of Seventy-second street, in a steamer, Fox, and to the greatest credit for the police be it said,

ENGLISH TOPICS.

TRADE PROSPECTS AND STATISTICS—SOCIALISM.

THE COMMERCIAL YEAR—GRATIFYING EXHIBITS—A NEW COMMUNITY—THE SOCIALISTS OF HAMPSHIRE.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Monday, Aug. 31, 1874.

The anxieties about the harvest are now pretty well over, and there seems to be no doubt that it will be a satisfactory one, and that, with the present amount of the floating supply of grain, this will be a comparatively cheap year. Trade is also reviving a little. It is expected, however, by the best authorities, that money will be a good deal dearer before the end of the year. A very interesting report on the trade of the country during last year has just been issued by the Commissioners of Customs. The years 1866, 1867, and 1868 were, from various causes, periods of commercial depression. In 1869 there were signs of revival, which increased in 1870, "notwithstanding," say the Commissioners, "the outburst of war between our near neighbors, France and Germany." This "notwithstanding" is surely the wrong word; "in consequence of" would perhaps be nearer the mark. There can be no doubt that in this, as in some other instances, England profited by the misfortunes of her neighbors. There was a steady and continuous advance in commercial prosperity in 1871 and 1872, and some of these causes were still at work in the following year, and are, indeed, partially in operation at the present moment. The wheat crop of 1873, however, was bad. The usual increase in the production of coal and iron was checked by perpetual strikes, and the value of money was higher than in 1872, there being, moreover, in October and November an especial disturbance of its average value. It is estimated that the discontinuance of labor by from 50,000 to 60,000 workers in coal and iron in South Wales for the greater part of three months produced a loss of two millions sterling, of which £800,000 would have fallen to the share of the workers as wages. Notwithstanding these obstacles to commercial progress the Commissioners think that last year will compare favorably even with 1872. Excluding the value of the precious metals and of transshipment goods, or goods not belonging to the regular trade of the country, there was last year an increase of more than thirteen millions, or one and nine-tenths per cent., in the imports and exports. The gross revenue derived from Customs duties also rose from £21,000,000 to £21,999,000, an increase of 4.7 per cent., the increase of population having been at the same time only 0.9 per cent. It is assumed, therefore, that the people collectively ought to be in better circumstances than in the previous years. The Commissioners give the following table to illustrate the commercial relations between the United Kingdom and six other countries, with the comment that the order in which they stand suggests "inferences which may be left without remark:"

	Value of Goods— Imported from	Exported to	Total.
United States	71,471,493	33,574,664	105,046,157
France	43,339,234	17,291,973	60,631,907
British India	29,690,802	21,354,205	51,945,007
Germany	19,126,451	27,270,342	47,196,793
Australia	17,962,706	17,610,152	34,872,858
Russia	21,189,331	8,997,721	30,187,052

Among other instances of fluctuation in various exports may be mentioned an increase of 6.8 in the quantity and 17.8 per cent. in the price of alkalies exported; 12 per cent. in quantity and 16.1 in price of beer; 5.9 in quantity and 31 per cent. in price of cement; 26.3 per cent. in price of coals for less in quantity by 4.4 per cent.; 19.7 in value of glass, and 22.2 in value of machinery and mill-work. Iron, wrought and unwrought, of which more than 3,000,000 of tons was exported in 1872, for the value of nearly £36,000,000, fell off in 1873 in quantity at the rate of 12.6 per cent., but produced a higher value to the extent of 4.8 per cent. There was a large increase in the export of salt to the United States and British India. Wool and woolen goods show a falling-off both in quantity and price. The total imports of 1873 came to £371,287,372, of which the goods paying duty amounted to only £58,581,260. This is an increase as compared with 1872 of only 4.5 per cent., the annual increase in 1871 and 1872 having been as much as 9 and 7. It is pointed out, however, that there is no decline in the power of the country to absorb raw materials, and that the apparent decline is due in a great degree to a reduction of prices. It is stated that the United States stand out by far the most prominently in the record of countries from which England drew increased supplies, a rise of upward of ten and one-half millions being shown, chiefly in bacon and hams, salted beef, cheese, corn, wheat, meal and flour, raw cotton, petroleum, salt pork, tallow, tobacco, and wood. The import of petroleum which was almost entirely from the United States, has risen from 5,402,705 gallons in 1869 to 16,661,340 last year. In 1872 it was only 6,399,710 gallons. It is significant that in 1873 only 492,762 tons of iron manufactures were exported to the United States from England, against 975,421 tons in 1872, a decrease of 49.5 per cent.

ENGLISH SOCIALISTS.

An account has just been published of a curious community which has lately been established in one of the corners of the New Forest, in Hampshire, and which recalls the experiments of Fourier and others. It is said that they number in all, men, women, and children, 130 souls, with an estate of thirty-one acres. They began in January, 1872, with a nucleus of about fourteen persons, but the estate is already in a fair state of cultivation though not sufficient to be self-supporting. There are stated to be a number of persons waiting to join the brotherhood as soon as fresh land can be obtained, but at present there is no room for more. The society has more than doubled in numbers since last year. Of the thirty-one acres, about an acre is devoted to spade culture, the remainder being laid down for grass, in wheat, &c. There is a little fruit, and the flower patches are the special charge of the women. The community includes a variety of craftsmen, such as tailors, shoemakers, wood-cutters, brick-makers, &c. There is a miller, too, but he has not yet got to work, because his mill is not ready. Besides the flowers, the women also attend to the washing, sewing, and general housekeeping. The members of the community supposed to be capable of making and repairing their own clothes, with, we suppose, the assistance of the tailor in an emergency. The men appear to be wearing out the clothes they brought with them from the outer world, but the women have characteristically invented a new style of costume. Even in Eden Eve's mind runs on robes. The sisters, we are told, wear an attire nearly uniform in pattern, though varying widely in color and material. It consists simply of a plain bodice, short skirt, and trowsers, and "none can realize, without actual observation, the peculiar yet pleasing and attractive effect of this dress, worn by nearly every female in the family, whether of early or mature years." Ear-rings, chignons, and other vanities are rigorously banished. The hair is worn curiously, with or without curls, but generally loose and flowing like a lady's, who is called Mother. She is supreme among them, governing by the law of love, and is consulted on every subject. There is neither marriage nor giving in marriage in this community, and all live together as brothers and sisters. Property is held in common, and everybody is supposed to get what is good for her or him. "Each contributes according to his powers and receives according to his necessities"—the old jargon. The community takes the Bible as its only law book. One lady of wealth and education is a sister, and there is also a well-to-do village shoe-maker, a farmer, and a London shopkeeper in the society. But the majority of the members are poor, and many of the poorest class. Music is the chief amusement of the brothers and sisters, and there is the "fullest liberty with the most perfect unanimity." It is needless to anticipate the fate of this society, of which there have been many forerunners. There is no reason to suppose that human nature is likely to be transformed in the New Forest any more than at Brocton or elsewhere. The majority of the members are poor, and yet there is said to be "no poverty in the austere sense." This would seem to mean that they are living on the means provided by the well-to-do section, and when these are exhausted it is easy to imagine what will happen.

J. H. F.

LOCAL POLITICS.

THE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION—TALK ABOUT THE NOMINEES—DEPARTURE OF THE DELEGATES.

The Democrats of this and neighboring counties belonging to the Democratic State Committee will leave this City for Syracuse to-night to attend a meeting of the committee before the organization of the convention. To-morrow night the delegates and alternates from New-York will depart by the Hudson River Railroad. There are three delegates and three alternates from each of the twenty-one Assembly Districts of the City, making a total of 126 persons. Arrangements have so far been made with the railroad company for the accommodation of but 100, it being supposed that a number of the delegates and alternates will not go. Those who are going will assemble on Tuesday at Tammany Hall, the various district committees having been notified to that effect by the Tammany Committee on Organization. The New-York delegates all favor the nomination of Samuel J. Tilden for Governor, and it is understood that the delegates from Kings County will act with them. A few months ago it would have been difficult to find a Democrat in the City who was not an earnest advocate of Chief Justice Church as the best nominee for the party. His apparent reluctance to run as a candidate brought Tilden and others into the field. The latter has now committed himself so thoroughly as a candidate for the nomination that it will be difficult for him to withdraw with dignity. Judging from the feeling shown and the sentiments expressed by many of the delegates with whom a TIMES reporter has conversed there is a prospect of a stormy session at Syracuse on Wednesday. Those Democrats who want to have Church nominated will leave nothing undone to force everybody to leave the field clear for him. Strong pressure will also be brought to bear by the Liberals, with whom the Chief Justice is a favorite. The New-York City delegation, and some delegations from other parts of the State, which will go to the Convention pledged for Tilden are determined, however, that the man of their choice shall not be ignominiously thrust aside for Church or anybody else. They will undoubtedly make a strong fight against such action. One of the Tammany leaders told THE TIMES reporter the other day that if Tilden was not nominated Church would not be, and that a compromise would have to be made on a third candidate, who would probably be a man but little known in the political world. John Kelly's friends have been considerably embittered against the advocates of Church because of their attacks upon himself and Tammany in the Rochester *Union* and Buffalo *Courier*, two papers which Kelly alleges are under the influence of the Canal Ring, and should the convention nominate him despite all opposition he would have but a lukewarm support from the Tammany Hall organization. The Democratic opponents of Tammany in this City, though they have no voice in the convention, await its action with great interest. The defeat of Tilden would be to them a victory. One of the leading men in the Tammany General Committee yesterday said that he did not believe that Church had any chance of being nominated, for he had expressly stipulated in his memorandum, intrusted to Mr. Joseph Warren, and published that he would not be a candidate in the convention unless everybody else withdrew, and he could not see how Mr. Tilden could do so at present. In the event of Tilden's nomination a candidate for Lieutenant Governor will be chosen from the Western part of the State, and if Church is nominated, from the Eastern. Ethan Allen, formerly Chairman of the Liberal Republican National Committee, and Ex-Speaker Littlejohn, of the Assembly, have been thrown out as the probable candidates for this office by prominent Democrats, if the candidate for Governor is selected from the Western counties.

TROUBLE IN THE TAMMANY SOCIETY.

The feud between the friends of John Kelly and his opponents in the Tammany Society is becoming every day more bitter. At a special meeting held in December last, sixty new members were elected, all friends, it is said, of Kelly. One blackball, according to a regulation of the order, is equal to eight affirmative votes. Where 200 ballots are cast, twenty-six will defeat a candidate. Under this rule there is at present a deadlock in the society, and only one member has been elected since January. Kelly, Dunlap, Ackert, ex-rebel Fellows, and other members of the so-called "regenerated" Tammany are opposed by Nelson J. Waterbury, Ex-Judge Barbour, Chas. Cornell, John Y. Savage, and others. A resolution was carried by the friends of Kelly & Co. some time since appointing a committee to examine the names of all persons proposed for membership, and to make a report as to their eligibility. This committee, it is alleged, studiously avoided the presentation of any names except those of friends of Kelly. All that was necessary under the rules of the society before the creation of this committee was that three persons should arise in the meetings, and vouch that the party proposed was a republican, thoroughly opposed to monarchical institutions, and a man of good moral character. Those opposed to Kelly insist that this rule shall be rigidly adhered to, and that a man shall not be rejected, as it is asserted is the fact, when he is proposed by the friends of Mr. Waterbury. The latter aver that the constitution and the traditions of the society have been thus overridden by Kelly & Co., for partisan purposes; and on the other hand, it is alleged that Waterbury and his friends are endeavoring to overthrow the society, that a way may be opened for the restoration to power of the men who controlled Tammany Hall in the days of the Ring. This allegation is strenuously denied by Kelly's opponents, and they avow that it is only an invention of their enemies. Both parties are struggling to obtain supreme control of the Tammany Hall property, the title to which is vested in the Trustees of the society. At present all the meetings of the Tammany Hall General Committee, and other meetings of the party, are held in the building on Fourteenth street. It is believed among the masses of the party that it would lose its strength and prestige if the meetings were held elsewhere, and hence the anxiety of Kelly and his friends to have a controlling voice in the society. On the 1st of last August charges were preferred against Waterbury, Cornell, Ex-Judge Barbour, Ex-Mayor Daniel F. Tieman, and others for divulging the secrets of the order, and their expulsion demanded. Their expulsion would of course remove all opposition to the sway of the present Tammany leaders. It was expected that these charges would be pressed at the regular meeting of the society on Monday evening last. There was consequently one of the largest meetings of the year. After organization everybody was in silent expectation of a discussion of the charges. Several efforts were made to introduce the subject, but unsuccessfully. The resolution creating the committee to decide upon the eligibility of members proposed was brought up. A member moved that the action taken in August constituting the Supervising Committee be reconsidered, and after speeches by Kelly, Ackert, Morrissey, Bocse, and Fellows against the motion, and Waterbury, Ex-Judge Barbour, Emanuel B. Hart, and John H. Hardy in favor, it was lost, and the committee was continued. The organization of the Tammany Hall party was fully discussed in the debate, and the grievances of the Independent Democracy thoroughly ventilated. Sharp thrusts were given on both sides. Grand Sachem Schell had some difficulty in keeping order, and several of the speakers were applauded by their friends. A man said to be in every way eligible for membership was balloted for, and Waterbury's friends blackballed him because he was proposed by the Kelly side of the house in retaliation for the treatment which they allege is accorded to men they propose, and he was rejected.

THE DROUTH.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Sept. 13.—The general and protracted drouth in the country is delaying the farmers in putting in their Fall crops.

BEECHER'S COUNTRY PARISH

HIS SERMON YESTERDAY IN NEW HAMPSHIRE.

TWO THOUSAND PERSONS IN AND AROUND THE HOTEL AT TWIN MOUNTAINS—RELIGIOUS LIBERTY THE SUBJECT.

TWIN MOUNTAIN HOUSE, N. H., Sept. 13.

About an hour before the time announced for the religious services to commence, people in large numbers began to arrive from the outlying sections of Mr. Beecher's mountain parish. Cars laden, came from Fabyan's, Montpelier, Wells River, Plymouth, Graveton, and Lancaster; and a large number of carriages, as usual. It was estimated that last Sunday there were some 2,000 people here, including the guests, and it is thought that to-day the number in attendance was about the same. In the audience were noticed Mr. Atwater and wife, of Brooklyn, N. Y. Mr. Beecher began the service by reading the thirty-first hymn of Plymouth collection, beginning—

How did my heart rejoice to hear
My friends devoutly say,
In Zion let us all appear
And keep the solemn day.

The prayer, which followed the singing of this hymn, closed with these words:

Bless our whole land. Bring us more and more together in a true unity of reciprocal interest. May we be knit together in confidence and in a desire for things that shall enoble this whole country. We pray that intelligence may prevail everywhere. We pray that strength may be imparted to the weak. We pray that this great and prosperous nation, bulided up by a thousand precious influences, may grow strong for justice, for goodness, for the rights of mankind and for prosperity throughout the whole country, and may the day speedily come when men shall love one another and hate no longer, and study the things which make for peace and learn war no more; when there shall be no oppression known, nor any desire to oppress; when men shall be so strong that none can bind them; when the kingdom of God shall descend, and when the new heaven and the new earth, in which dwelleth righteousness, shall prevail.

The prayer concluded, the 1,166th hymn, commencing, "Rise, my soul, and stretch thy wings," was sung. Then came the sermon, and a more powerful one, we think, Mr. Beecher has not preached for many a day. It was founded on the following passage from Galatians—v., 13th to 18th verses, inclusive:

For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty: only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another. For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another. This I say, then, Walk in the spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lusts of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the spirit, and the spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary the one to the other; so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. But if ye be led of the spirit, ye are not under the law.

Of all the writers, said Mr. Beecher, whose words are recorded in the Bible, there is no one whose spirit so perfectly accorded, on the whole, with the modern spirit and the spirit which prevals in America as Paul's; there was no one of them who had such a profound sense as he of individuality, of rights of the individual, or of the object of religion, namely, to fill up in each particular person a manhood that should be large, strong, rich, and perfectly free. There was no one of them that speak so much about liberty—a sound peculiarly pleasnt to our ears—as the Apostle Paul, and he declares that we are called to it, that it is the very thing in religion to which we are called. Now there is an apprehension very wide-spread, and we can see how reasonably it has sprung up, that religion, so far from making men free, hampers them, restricts them, ties up, burdens them, and there is among men a universal impression, when life is strong in young beings and the impulse to do just as they want to is powerful, that they do not want to be religious. The fact is, they want to enjoy themselves a little while. They think it will be time to be still and careful when the world is not so stimulating. They say: "When we are old enough to have the rheumatism, why then we won't race about and dance; when we don't want to laugh why then we'll be sober, and when we can't do anything else why then we'll get ready to die. As long as we have vigor and vitality and all sorts of pleasure we are going to have a good time; we will take the bad when we can't help it." On the other hand there are many persons who are anxious about their children, and trying to bring them up well; people who take on the duty of instructing the community, and call themselves responsible for what their fellow-men believe and what they do; folks that are trying to form and employ public sentiment. There are many such who are astonished when we say that religion is the freest of all things; that men who have become once converted and are truly Christians are no longer under the law and that the typical Christian is a person who does just as he has a mind to. "A person that does what he has a mind to is a Christian!" they say, "Why, it is contrary to the whole face of the Scripture, which says: 'You must deny yourself and take up your cross and wear a yoke and bear burdens,' and to preach that when a man becomes a Christian he may do just what he has a mind to, is flagitious. It will lead to lasciviousness—to all manner of self-indulgence. The conservators of purity and religion are very much afraid of this doctrine of liberty, because they think it will break the bands of responsibility and destroy the power of conscience upon men.

Now what is liberty? In the first place the way in which men have learned to consider liberty has come very largely from their experience in being oppressed by each other, and in emancipating themselves from the dominion of a neighbor or a ruler. Breaking away from him seemed to them to be liberty; in other words, the notion of being at liberty, to do what you wish to do, is intimately associated with the act of throwing off law and throwing off government. Men do not discriminate between the process by which they come to a state of liberty and the essential element of that state. In regard to civil liberty, we are very proud of having had the war of independence. We broke away from Great Britain and became masters of ourselves, and made our own laws and elected our own officers, and, as a nation, we could do do what we pleased without asking consent and men from these various historical developments of the power of liberty, have come to have an idea that liberty means setting aside authority and the control of law. No man is free until he is absolutely in bondage; until he is so in bondage that he does not know that he is in bondage; no man has true liberty until he is so subdued that he accepts the control which is over him and makes it his own, and ceases to be able to discriminate between his will and the law that is exterior to him. I think there will be no doubt about the matter if you will trace it, step by step, and see how men do develop. Consider how men become, in their material and physical relations, large, strong, facile, successful. When the child is born and begins to learn the qualities of matter and the use of itself, of its feet, its hands, its eyes, and its voice, what is the process by which it is developed out of weakness and into strength? We teach him the knowledge of matter, what its laws are, and how strictly to observe those laws. At first he does not know the difference between cutting edges and blunt edges, but he learns and he learns how to accommodate himself to these things. He does not know the difference between fire and ice; he does not know the difference between matter to be plunged into and the air to be breathed. He learns the qualities of these substances and their law. No child has learned to go alone to use his hand, or to have any comfort of his eye, his ear, or his mouth until he has learned what are the laws to which these various organs must conform themselves. No, learning on the part of the child is obeying, and obeying and coming to move of himself. Having his own way by refusing law would be never to walk, never to use his hands, never to look, never to hear, never to taste, never to do anything except to have his own way, which would be to be an everlasting cypher or zero. Every step by which every child comes to be less and less of a child and more and more of a man are steps by which he finds out more law; on every side, in the air above, on the earth beneath, among men, in the infinite variety of affairs in human life. A person learns to be a pianist not by setting down and saying "I am going to have my own way about this matter," but by finding out exactly what is required by the law of sound and the law of instrumentation, and compelling his hands to conform to these laws. How does a man learn to play billiards? By doing what the billiard table requires, and by submitting himself to the nature of the game. So it is in regard to fencing, dancing, rolling ten-pins, plowing, cutting wood, and every other physical acquirement. The first step in each of these departments is obedience to law, having obeyed the law perfectly, the performance becomes unconscious and automatic, and the man arrives at a power himself of perfect liberty. And that which is true in respect to the body is true in respect to the social conditions of life; that which is true in respect to the social conditions of life is true in respect to civil matters, and that which is true in respect to civil matters is true in respect to political affairs. Liberty does not mean resisting government—it means absolute submission to government, provided it is a right government—one that is conformable to our bodily structure, our social make-up, our intellectual condition and our moral nature. He is freest who submits to the most laws and submits to them the most implicitly. No man gets possession of himself until he has gone through these processes. The trouble and curse of daily life in every direction is the want of unconscious or automatic action as the result of training and obedience of law, and that which is true in respect to our external relations you will find to be true in regard to our higher relations, intellectual development, and physical education. Men learn, when put to the development of their highest faculties, in the same way as they do in the lower spheres of education. We must not learn to read except by first spelling out his words; no man learns by simple a thing as writing except by submitting himself to guverding rules and regulations. The result of training is what we call "habit." Habit, in the popular mind, consists merely in doing things easily, but it is really augmentation of faculty, it is new power gained by the repetition of acts. No man knows how to do anything perfectly until he has been so long accustomed it that, as it were, it does itself. No person has thoroughly learned a trade until he has been so subdued by that trade that it is subdued to him; no person has learned to do anything until he can do it without knowing it. All government of family, all method of civil government, all institutions of education and of religion ought to set this idea before themselves. The whole drift of civil governments, churches, schools, and families should be to make men larger, more symmetrical, freer by means of discipline and drill, and acknowledgment of laws and submission to them. But that which is, after all, the end and drift of this discourse is, what does religion mean in a man? The derivative meaning of the word is to bind, to tie up, and unfortunately the effort of a large number of the religious people of the globe have been for the most part to tie up. The idea has been, very largely, when a man became a Christian he agreed with himself to give up dancing and swearing and gambling and lying and Sabbath breaking; all dissipation and bad company, and his creed, if he were to latitude, would be—"I will not do this, I will not do that, I will not do that, I will not do that, and I will not do that, until it would be as knotty as a pine plank out of a small tree. Negatives are not to be decided, but a man who has nothing but negatives is a fool and has no temperment no vitality, no positiveness. The true religious man is a man who is positive and affirmative. A man who is the real man must have actual virtues. There are thousands of men who have more honor and who come nearer to the royal idea of manhood, although they do bad things, than many negative Christians, because they are positive and because they do something. A true man that is a Christian ought to be a hundred times larger in every way than he was before he became a Christian; even the passions ought to be larger, and in being made larger they ought to be made better and healthier by being brought into subjection to love. Every part of a man's nature is to be built upon subordination to this supreme element. There is no passion, no appetite, no taste, no social feeling, no sentiment, no intellectual element that cannot be brought into perfect accord and made nobler and better by obedience to love. The world is ripening, and that is developing which shall fill the eternal heavens with blessedness, and he that accepts this royal love of liberty and will himself in it until it is more easy to be gracious and benevolent than not to be, has become a man in Christ Jesus and a citizen of the commonwealth of the universe, and is absolutely free.

Christian brethren, this is just what we need. We are all now fighting the same battles that we were twenty years ago, because we don't go through that training and come into the state of obedience which alone can secure to us the liberty of the sons of God.

A collection was taken at the close of the sermon, the object being

SUMMER TRAVEL.

A FIVE DAYS' TRAMP ON THE MOUNTAINS.

FROM LAKE MOHONK THROUGH THE CATSKILLS TO HOWE'S CAVE—A DELIGHTFUL TREAT.

From Our Own Correspondent.

MONDAY, Sept. 7, 1874.

Leaving West Point Academy and Poughkeepsie we crossed by ferry to New-Paltz landing, and about 11 o'clock started off on a five days' tramp. The weather was pretty warm for pedestrianism, and as not a drop of rain had fallen for a week, the dust was exceedingly disagreeable, but we were determined not to be discouraged in an undertaking by such little drawbacks, and at the end of ten miles we had reached New-Paltz, picturesquely situated on the Wallkill and five miles more brought us to Lake Mohonk. The last part of the way is through forest, and, as one approaches the lake, the tremendous front of old Sky Top suddenly bursts upon the view with almost startling effect. Turning northward, with the wild cliffs on our right, the lovely emerald lake now appears on the left, walled in by huge masses of rock, with its water eighty feet deep, clear as crystal, and dotted with graceful skiffs—a perfect picture of quiet beauty. At its upper end is the house, 1,200 feet above the Hudson. It has been redoubled in size for the present season, and its front commands a most extensive view of mountain, valley, river and plain; while from the verandas at its rear one never tires of watching the reflection of the changing summer clouds in the pure depths of the lake as it lies shut in between the great crags of Eagles' Cliff and Sky Top. It is not at all a difficult clamber to the summit of the latter, whose name is a translation of the Indian word "Mohonk." Literally, it is said to mean, "On the Great Sky Top." On the way up we passed such huge masses and strange combinations of rock as we had never seen before, and yawning chasms, horrible pits, dismal caverns and shear precipices hundreds of feet in height constantly impress the mind with the rugged grandeur of the mountain. Yet pine trees and laurels grow in the clefts, and mosses and lichens and the waving hare-bell cling to the wild crags and clothe their barrenness with living beauty. The view from the top is exceedingly beautiful. The watch-tower built on it sweeps every point of the compass, and herein consists the superiority of this over most mountain prospects. It were useless to attempt to point out the varied beauty and sublimity of the whole, as the eye passes in succession from the Storm-king in the south-westward to the Shawangunks, northward to the Shandakens, the familiar peaks of the Catskills, and the Valley of the Hudson; eastward to the Green Mountains and the Berkshires; southward to the Connecticut hills, and so on around to the north and south Beacons that with the Storm-king guard the misty gate of the Highlands. The most imposing feature of the landscape—on account of their nearness—is formed by the other peaks of the Shawangunks stretching to the westward. They are rugged in outline and covered with dense forests, and among their wild fastnesses are said to lie two other beautiful lakes, one of which is three miles in length. We descended from Lake Mobonk on the opposite side of the mountain from that by which we ascended, and, soon after leaving the house, came to a sign-board with the enticing inscription: "To the Gate of the Winds;" but time forbade us to explore the beauties of the spot. A five miles' walk brought us to the village of High Falls, on the Rondout. On our inquiring of a youthful resident where the falls were, he said he was not aware that there were any in the vicinity; but ere long we discovered them ourselves, and very pretty and graceful they were, too, though hardly a Gleeback in point of height. Just after leaving High Falls, we ascended quite an eminence, from which there was a most charming view of the village, the falls, the locks of the Delaware and Hudson Canal, the valley of the Rondout, and especially of the mountain we had recently left, with the Lake Mohonk House nestling between the great cliffs on either hand. After three miles' march we came to "Stone Ridge," and here we were to put up for the night. Soon after our arrival we saw the light of the setting sun fade from the blue domes of the old Catskills, among whose peaceful heights we hoped to rest our weary limbs before the close of another day. After a comfortable nights' rest we started for Hurley, seven miles off, and accomplished the distance in less than an hour and a half. Here we crossed the Rondout by a wire suspension bridge, and in about an hour, after passing near the Beaverhill Swamp and through a pleasantly-wooded notch of the hills, arrived at West Hurley. At the end of five miles more of dusty walking in the scorching sun, we reached the pretty village of Woodstock. Here commences the mountain road to the Overlook House, and this, of course, was the hardest part of the day's tramp. It is one continuous, uphill pull, without intermission, and very tired, very hot, very dusty, and particularly hungry were we when we arrived at that wonderfully beautiful and delightful mountain resort.

To the ordinary traveler, who is dragged wearily up the long, rough and steep road in a lumbering stage-coach, what a goodly place seems this mountain home, perched like an eyrie among the loftiest peaks, yet fitted up with nearly all the appurtenances and comforts of a first-class city hotel. But only can it be appreciated to the fullest extent when one has toiled up the mountain on foot, as we did, in the dust and heat of a blazing August noonday, with a certain amount of luggage—though perhaps not quite a Saratoga trunk—on his back! It was nearly three o'clock when we reached the Overlook, and O! the delights of that elaborate dinner, after our grateful wash and change of apparel. And then the exquisite luxury of the smoke afterward on the rocks in front of the house, with the beautiful panorama of nature spread out before us, so vast and grand and peaceful, and the Summer breeze whispering so softly through the pine-trees at our feet. This was, indeed, *dolce far niente*; and well could we now afford to be lazy.

Many improvements have been made, and many new walks and places of interest opened up, since our last visit to the Overlook, two years ago. Toward sunset we started off on a stroll to the summit; and taking the path which lies just along the edge of the bluff, passed the "Devil's Kitchen" and "President's Rock," the latter, we believe, having been called "Hannibal Rock" up to the time of President Grant's visit here a year ago. Then we came to "Styles' Retreat" and "Wagner's Resort," with "Henry Fred's Lounge" and "Emily's Kissing Seat." There were also "Pet's," "Katie's," "Carrie's," "Jeanie's," and so many other lovely creatures' seats that it quite reminded one of the cologne-water bottles in druggists' windows, where we so often read the words, "Any name you want." At "Minister's Face" there is a perpendicular precipice several hundred feet high, and in this vicinity also is "Evans' Glen," a weird and romantic spot, through which we passed in ascending to "Hopper's Rock," one of the loftiest points on the mountain. Here you look down upon the roof the Overlook House, and seemingly just beyond it, though in reality several miles distant, lies Cooper's Lake nestling at the foot of the shapely cone of Mount Tobias, beyond which rises peak after peak of the lovely Shandakens. The views from the Overlook are certainly more grand and impressive, though there is no one so comprehensive as that from the summit of Sky Top at Lake Mohonk. We next took the lonely path through the forest westward to "Kimball's Rock," to view the sunset where no sight of human habitation or sound of human voice would break in upon the infinite solitude and silence of nature. Beneath lay Shue's Lake, a desolate and black-looking tarn shut in by the woody amphitheatre formed by the steep sides of the great Overlook Mountain, whose loftier heights towered just behind and on either hand of us. Above its northernmost slope rose the huge forms of High Peak and Round Top, while further to the left and more distant loomed the misty domes of Blackhead and his giant companions. Directly opposite, and near at hand, in sharp outline against the clear sky, stood the rugged cliffs of Wildcat Mountain, with the others of its range, Sugar-loaf, Planter-hill, and Oldsbarn, stretching away westward. Just between the great southern spur of the last named and the beginning of the numberless peaks of the blue and beautiful Shandakens, the sun was sinking in glorious splendor. Long after his fiery disk had disappeared the western heavens were aflame with crimson and gold, but as night in the glowing south is ever short, the pearly old darkness with its countless stars was soon upon us, and we left the grand old mountain with its shadowy earth. The radiant star of evening was shining resplendently in the pale green sky as we turned away and began to retrace our steps through the dusky woods. A couple of hours later the serene moon filled all the mountains with another and more dreamy splendor. Only the nearest peaks were clearly defined—all the others, range upon range, rolling away into distance like the gigantic waves of some unimagined sea, were wrapped in an exquisite silver mist. So fascinating were the weird effects of the Summer moonlight that we found it difficult to go to bed at all; but during the course of the night our luxurious spring mattress at length proved a sufficient counter-attraction.

When we looked from our window the next morning, the mountain tops, touched by his first beams, were just paying their early salutations to the glorious orb of day, while the morning mist still lay like peaceful lakes in the slumbering valleys.

Resuming our tramp after breakfast, we took the bridle-path leading across to the head of the Plantershill Gorge, and after crossing this wild and beautiful ravine, struck across High Peak by an old wood road, and at length came to a house and clearing away in the midst of the forest. A situation more lonely and desolate it would be difficult to conceive, and any one who wanted to get particularly "far from the madding crowd" would certainly be admirably suited here. Our walk on this day was much pleasanter than on the two previous ones, for it was entirely over mountains and through shady forests. There was no dust to annoy us, and if we grew thirsty, here was cold, sparkling nectar, freshly distilled from the hidden laboratories of the mountains, ever and anon bubbling up in our path. After walking several miles, during which we had crossed over to the northern side of the peak, we came to the head of Santa Cruz Gorge. Here is one of the finest of all the outlooks over the majestic Cauterskill Clove, and from this point Mr. Durand painted one of his most beautiful and celebrated pictures. A mile further on we crossed the top of Haines' Falls, and in the course of an hour were eating dinner near the Cauterskill. Later in the afternoon we walked over to the Mountain House, two miles distant, where we found the view quite poor on account of the haziness of the atmosphere, and returned just in time for a lovely sunset at the old Summer-house at Scribner's, about which cluster so many pleasant memories. From here Sandford Gifford painted his "Twilight on Hunter Mountain," one of the most exquisite landscapes ever produced by an American artist. The next day, the 1st of September, there was a delightful change in the weather. The wind blew freshly from the north-west, and it was altogether a capital day for a mountain tramp. We started by the woodpath to Haines', and paused for a moment at Prospect Rock, which commands the Cauterskill Gorge as well as the Clove, and from which there is an admirable view of both the Upper and Lower Falls. At Haines' we struck the road to Hunter, and as one familiar object after another rose before us, and the fresh morning breeze blew strong in our faces, we thought it was a glorious thing to go tramping thus through the Catskills. Eight or nine miles' walking brought us to the village of Hunter, situated just at the foot of the great mountain of the same name, which is over 4,000 feet in height, and the loftiest of the whole range. Here we came upon the Schoharie River for the first time, and from this point we were to follow its course. It rises a few miles east of Hunter, and runs at first in a general north-westerly direction. The first mountain that we came to beyond Hunter was "Pickamoose," and then there followed a long line of lofty peaks stretching away to the north and west, so that there is an unbroken wall of mountains from Stony Clove as far as Lexington, a distance of twelve or fifteen miles. At Lexington, eight miles this side of Prattsville, the mountains form a great horse-shoe, which is most imposing in its effect, and directly in front now loomed the great West Kill Mountain, like a second High Peak.

After a time the valley becomes broader, and pleasant meadows border the river, and at length we can descry the village of Prattsville, perfectly embowered in trees and shrubbery. Just over it, on the right, are the great Pratt rocks, with the remarkable dust cut in them, which is one of the notable points of interest here. Prattsville is decidedly the neatest looking town we have yet met with in our wanderings, and contains many handsome country places. Not far from here is the junction of three counties, Greene, Schoharie, and Delaware, and soon after leaving the village we see the beautiful Delaware Mountains to the north and west. About three miles from Prattsville the Schoharie, up to this point so quiet and easy going, plunges over a rocky wall from 80 to 100 feet in height. The shape of the falls is a fine horse-shoe, probably over 200 feet across, and when the stream is high it must present quite a Niagara-like appearance. Altogether this is one of the noblest waterfalls in all the Catskills. For nearly half a mile below the falls the river flows through a majestic chasm, with a solid wall of rock on either side, and is of considerable depth. Two miles further on we came to Sneddburgh's Falls. The road passes directly over the lower end of the basin made by the water as it leaps over a precipice 100 feet in height and flows down to the Schoharie, so that persons riding have a capital view of the falls without the trouble of alighting. The sun was just setting as we approached Gilboa, a village sufficiently picturesque in situation, but whose appearance was anything but inviting. We were agreeably disappointed, however, in the accommodations we found there. We had now arrived at the last day of our tramp, and as we expected to accomplish a great deal before its close, we were on the road before 6 in the morning. In about a couple of miles we came to the beautiful Mine Kill Falls, where there was a great freshet three months ago, which carried away not only bridges, but also a number of houses. The first village we came to was Blenheim, eight miles from Gilboa, and five miles further on, where the road winds high up over the river, we had a charming view of Breakabeen, reposing against a beautiful background of rolling hills. Soon after we descended to the flats, and here, for the first time in our lives, we had the pleasure of seeing hop-gatherers at work among the tall, vine-covered poles. It was a most picturesque sight. In the approach to Middleburgh the town is at first hidden from view by a great bluff with a perpendicular wall of rock several hundred feet high, but, as you wind around it, following the course of the river to the left, it opens out before you with charming effect. Its fine new part is a long line of handsome residences stand along the river front, reminding one of Harrisburg, Penn., and in front of them, just on the bank of the stream, is a stately row of that aristocratic old tree, now so rare, the Lombardy poplar. On leaving Middleburg we took the road toward Schoharie Court-house for three miles, and then turned off by a shorter way to Howe's Cave. Ascending a steep hill, we looked for a few moments on the edge of a noble grove of Norway pines, through whose branches the Summer wind made the softest and sweetest of music, and turned to take a last look at the Valley of the Schoharie. It was a charming picture. Far down below us were the spires and quaint red houses of the goodly village of Schoharie Court-House, and five miles further along the winding river, whose shores were bordered by wide and fertile fields, the larger town of Middleburg lay glistening in the sunlight, while the great amphitheatre of the hills closed in this beautiful and happy vale on every side. A walk over the hills of five miles further brought us to our destination, where we found a new and commodious stone hotel of pleasing architecture standing at the entrance of the cave. The latter is not as well known to the public as it deserves to be.

Here ended our tramp, much to our regret. In the course of five days we had walked 125 miles, and were still ready for more. The expedition, however, was by no means undertaken for the purpose of testing our powers of pedestrianism, but simply for the pleasure of the excursion and the physical benefit which we hoped to derive from it, and in both particulars we think we have reason to congratulate ourselves.

ATTEMPTED TRIPLE MURDER.

The London *Standard* of Aug. 29 says: "A woman named Rebecca Lewis, a Jewess, wife of a shoemaker named Levene Lewis, living in Elwick's lane, Newcastle, when in her house, yesterday morning, seized her husband by the head and attempted to cut his throat with a knife. He escaped from her and ran out of the house to get his wound dressed. After he went out Mrs. Lewis went into the house of a neighbor named Raven, and there attempted to cut her own throat. Mrs. Raven went out to call in the Police, and on returning home she found that Mrs. Lewis had cut the throats of Charles and Anna Maria Raven, aged three months and two years respectively. The two children and Mrs. Lewis were lying on the floor in a pool of blood. Medical aid was at once obtained, and the wounds were dressed. It is feared that Charles Raven will not recover, and it is also doubtful whether Mrs. Lewis will long remain alive. The husband's injury is not dangerous."

ORIENTAL COURAGE.

A correspondent of the *Levant Herald*, writing from Sinope, notices the remarkable courage and resignation shown by a youth barely twenty years of age, who was lately executed in that town for the murder of a young girl. According to this account the lad was led out of the prison before dawn, and taken to the meet between the inner and outer gates of the city. Not till the party stopped there, and a clerk came forward and read his sentence of death to the unhappy culprit, did he know that he must die then and there. The lad, in presence of the King of Terrors, simply answered, in a most thoughtful manner, "Very well, I am ready," and then, turning round, he knelt down, and, with his head bent forward, awaited the executioner's sword. Before, however, the latter could perform his office, the lad's mother, who had been kept in ignorance of the fate in store for her son, rushed forward, and, throwing herself on the ground, implored the Governor to spare her child's life. The Governor, touched by her entreaties, granted her request, and the lad was taken back to prison. The mother, however, was not satisfied with this, and, following the Governor to his house, implored him to grant her son a free pardon. The Governor, finding that she would not leave him in peace, at last told her that if she could find any one who would marry her son and take him away with him, he would grant the pardon. The mother, overjoyed at this, ran off to the prison, and, finding a girl who was willing to marry her son, brought her to the Governor, who, as he had promised, granted a free pardon. The lad, however, refused to accept it, saying that he would rather die than marry a girl who was willing to do so only for the sake of saving his life. The Governor, finding that the lad was determined to die, and wishing to do away with the barbarous practice of the Sheriff shaking hands with the condemned. Having done so the lad then told them that he owed twenty piastres, which he earnestly desired them to enjoin his friends to pay. Then, looking on his clothes and a pair of new shoes he wore, he requested that they should be given to a certain poor fellow in prison whom he named. As it was now nearly dawn, when good Mohammedans say their prayers, he asked the chief officer to be allowed that indulgence for the last time. His request being granted, and the means provided, he calmly went through his ablutions, said his prayers, and then came and sat down before the executioner. A little later the gates were opened, and the passers-by saw a headless corpse with a beardless boy's head under the right arm, and the story of his crime pinned to his breast.

KANSAS' CALL FOR ARMS.

GOV. OSBORN'S EXPLANATION TO THE PRESIDENT—HIS AVOWED DETERMINATION TO PROTECT THE CITIZENS OF HIS STATE.

In his letter to the President, asking for arms for the State of Kansas, Gov. Osborn refers to the statement that the State is now indebted to the General Government for arms already issued, and says: "In 1864, when Price's army was marching triumphantly through the State of Missouri, Maj.-Gen. S. R. Curtis, commanding the Department of Kansas, called upon the Governor of this State to put into the field the entire militia force of the State. The militia was accordingly marched to Missouri, and there, under the orders of the United States officers, assisted in the total defeat of the rebel forces which followed. A great portion of the arms now charged against us was issued to the militia engaged in this service. I submit that the State should not be held for arms thus issued and used in the national service. The arms so issued were of an inferior character, hastily obtained to meet the emergency pressing upon the country, and it seems incredible that the Government should take advantage of its necessities and force the State to an unwilling purchase of worthless arms that it will neither take back nor exchange for others of a serviceable pattern. I hopefully assert that this palpable error in the ordnance account with Kansas be corrected, and again urge that any application made to you on the first ult. be granted. The frequent incursions into the State of hostile bands of Indians, who murder and plunder our citizens, notwithstanding the earnest and energetic efforts of Major Gen. Pope commanding this department, to afford all possible protection, demonstrate the inability of the Government under the present depleted condition of the army to afford protection to our citizens living near the line of the Indian territory. These frequent outrages are depopulating the country contiguous to the Indian territory, and I have deemed it necessary to call into the service a few companies of the State militia for the service of that locality. The 500 carbines furnished the State by the Government in June last are the only arms we now have fit to be used in an encounter with hostile Indians. By some means they have been amply provided with the best guns manufactured in the United States, and it would be more than cruel to send into the field to meet such an enemy a body of troops armed with the old muskets with which the State stands charged on the books of the War Department. You will readily see that 500 guns is but a meagre number with which to protect our extended frontier. Sixteen citizens of Kansas are known to have been murdered by Indians within the State since the 15th of June last, and not one of the murderers has been punished or even arrested by the Government whose wards they are. But a few days since, and even since the receipt of your letter assuring me that the United States Army would protect our State from invasion, six citizens of Lawrence engaged in surveying the public lands in Kansas under a contract with the Interior Department of the General Government were brutally murdered by Indians. While the United States Government may be unable to afford to the citizen that full measure of protection which is so essential to his personal safety, can she in honor do less than afford him the means of protecting himself? This State has already expended since her admission into the Union more than $250,000 in protecting her citizens against hostile Indians, whose good conduct was guaranteed by the Government, and whatever may be the decision on this application for arms, we will endeavor to protect the lives and property of our citizens at whatever cost."

CLOUDS OF WINGED ANTS.

The Dansville (Livingston County) *Advertiser* says that on Monday morning last citizens of that place were attracted by the sight, at a few hundred feet above the earth, of clouds of winged ants "moving from the head of the valley north-easterly, in long lines, like flocks of pigeons. Some of these clouds were higher than others, and sometimes the higher ones were seen to pass the lower. They moved at the rate of about twenty miles an hour, and some of them appeared to be miles in length and several rods in width. About fifteen minutes after they were first seen all passed out of sight. But after they first came over the village, the air of the streets and stores and all open buildings became thick with insects, which flew into mouths, noses, eyes, and ears, and, covering the sidewalks and floors, were crushed at every step by hundreds by the pedestrians. These insects were the droppings from the clouds above—the tired or cowardly stragglers, probably, of the grand army. They were found to be small-winged ants, a little larger than sand-flies, and resembling them somewhat. A gentleman who came up from West Sparta during their flight said that the air was so black with them in front of him that he could hardly see his horse."

THE REAL ESTATE MARKET.

At the Exchange on Saturday, Sept. 12, no real estate was sold by public auction, and no sales made by private contract were reported as having been completed, but it was reported that several sales of large amount were pending. The sales effected by public auction at the Exchange during the week ending with Saturday were more numerous than the week succeeding, all being foreclosures.

The total City property sold at the Exchange during the week amounts to $147,645, against $58,200 the figures for the previous week.

The only sale of suburban property was by A. D. Mellick, Jr., & Bro., at East Orange, N. J., on Tuesday, Sept. 8, which resulted in the sale of twelve plots of land on Marcy avenue and a house and lot on Prospect street for $11,651 25.

PRIVATE SALE.

The following are the facts in relation to the private sale of property on Thirty-second street, between Broadway and Sixth avenue:

W. H. Raynor sold one and two-fifth lots, corner Broadway and Thirty-second street, 20 feet on Broadway, 99 feet on Thirty-second street, 40 feet on Sixth avenue, and 108 feet on the south line, with four four-story brick stores and dwellings thereon, for the sum of $275,000, which are now rented for $16,000 per annum. As an evidence of the great increase of real estate in New-York City, Mr. Raynor makes the following statement: He sold said land, when vacant in 1846, for $5,000; sold it in 1850, after the buildings were erected, for $26,000; sold them again, in 1858, for $40,000; again sold them, in 1862, for $45,000, and now, in 1874, for $275,000. R. A. Witthaus was the last owner, and has realized at least a profit of $200,000, owning them only twelve years, he always receiving a large rental on the price paid for the property, i. e. 8 per cent. The Union Dime Savings Bank purchased the property as a future location for their bank. The present bank is located in Canal street.

THIS WEEK'S AUCTIONS.

The auctions announced for the previous week are as follows, all at the Exchange, unless otherwise noted:

Monday, Sept. 14.

By D. M. Seaman, by order of the United States District Court, James H. Moran, assignee of Samuel Shapter, bankrupt, sale of the leasehold premises known as the Metropolitan Theatre, No. 130 and 132 Mercer street, with entrance from No. 585 Broadway, by James M. Miller, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, Wm. H. Ryan, Esq., Referee, of two plots of land on the south-east corner of Sylvan avenue and Oxford place, West Farms, Twenty-fourth Ward.

By Joseph McGuire, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, Andrew H. H. Dawson, Esq., Referee, of the house and lot 25.9 by 67.8, on the east side of Crosby street, 138.4 feet south of Prince street, No. 95.

By Wm. Kennelly, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, Wm. Sinclair, Esq., Referee, of the plot of land 75 by 84 by 85 by 86, situate in the town of Morrisania, Twenty-third Ward, on the north-west side of Third avenue, near High Bridge.

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Tuesday, Sept. 15th.

By A. J. Bleecker, Son & White, Supreme Court, foreclosure sale, William Bruorton, Esq., Referee, of the plot of land on the south-east corner of Sylvan avenue and Oxford place, West Farms, Twenty-fourth Ward, 200 by 100.

By D. M. Seaman, adjourned Supreme Court foreclosure sale, Thomas P. Fowler, Esq., Referee, of the lot 85 by 102.9 on the south side of Seventy-second street, 100 feet west of Eleventh Avenue. Also one lot 25 by 102.9 on the south side of Seventy-first street, adjoining on rear of above.

By E. H. Ludlow & Co., Supreme Court foreclosure sale, A. H. Wallis, Referee, of the premises on the north-east corner of West and Bank streets, 18.11½ feet by 60.8 by 11.1.8½ by 61.1.8.

By James M. Miller, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, Oliver Lee, Esq., Referee, of the house and lot 25.9 by 67.8, on the east side of Crosby street, 138.4 feet south of Prince street, No. 95.

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Wednesday, Sept. 16.

By E. A. Lawrence & Co., Supreme Court foreclosure sale, Edward D. Sale, Esq., Referee, of the ballers' Sand Harbor, lease of the premises on the east side of Broadway, 46.6 feet south of Ninth street, 50 by 47 by 23.4½ by 48.6 by 50 by 23.4.

By William Kennelly, by order of the Department of Docks, auction sale of lease of nine feet at Fortieth street, North River. Also, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, John F. O'Neil, Esq., Referee, of the lot 25 by 67.6 by 25.2 by 94.4, on the south side of Fifty-sixth street, 150 feet west of Ninth avenue.

Wednesday, Sept. 16.

By A. J. Bleecker, Son & White, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, A. T. Brown, Esq., Referee, of the premises Nos. 51 and 53 Cherry street, south side, 39.2 feet east of Roosevelt street, 37.7 by 65.9 by 37.6 by 68.

By R. H. Ludlow & Co., Supreme Court foreclosure sale, Francis C. Barlow, Esq., Referee, of the premises No. 41 Park street, 25 by 97.8.

By James M. Miller, Supreme Court foreclosure sale of the house and lot No. 194 West Forty-eighth street, south side, 265 feet west of Sixth avenue; also, similar sale, George E. Horne, Esq., Referee, of the lot 25 by 102.9 on the south side of Eightieth street, 200 feet east of Third avenue; also, on the premises at Rockland Lake, Rockland County, N. Y., absolute sale of 400 acres of ville plots belonging to the Rockland Lake Land and Improvement Company.

By Hugh N. Camp, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, G. Irving Whitehead, Esq., Referee, of the premises No. 328 Pearl street, east side, sixty feet north of Fletcher street.

By William Kennelly, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, William Sinclair, Esq., Referee, of the house and lot 20.7 by 100.5 on the south side of Fifty-third street, 87.9 feet east of Madison avenue.

Thursday, Sept. 17.

By James M. Miller, Supreme Court sale, Alexander H. Wallace, Esq., Referee, of the two houses and lots together, 37.8 by 91. Nos. 249 & 251 West Nineteenth street, north side, 312.10 feet west of Seventh avenue. Also No. 253, adjoining the above, 23 by 112.5. Also thirteen lots on the south-east corner of Railroad avenue and Sixth street, Twenty-third Ward, late Morrisania. Also similar sale, Oliver R. Steele, Esq., Referee, of the Kipp's Bay Malt House, with plot of land 146.11½ by 150 on the south-east corner of First avenue and Thirty-eighth street.

By Hugh N. Camp, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, W. P. Dixon, Esq., Referee, of the property situate at Unionville, Jamaica, L. I., to be sold on the premises on Grand street, between Drew avenue and Elderi's lane, twenty-four lots and dwelling. Also similar sale, Elbert Sandford, Esq., Referee, of the whole block front on the west side of Seventh avenue, between Twenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth streets.

Friday, Sept. 18.

By James M. Miller, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, A. A. Wallis, Esq., Referee, of the house and lot, 20 by 102.9, on the north side of Seventy-ninth street, sixty feet west of Lexington avenue; also house and lot, 20 by 102.9, on the north side of Seventy-ninth street, 165 feet east of Fourth avenue.

By A. J. Bleecker, Son & White, on the premises at Plainfield, N. J., public auction sale of the "Jeffers" residence, consisting of a two-story and French roof house, and from one to six acres of land.

Saturday, Sept. 19.

By E. A. Lawrence & Co., Supreme Court foreclosure sale, Edward H. Hobbs, Esq., Referee, of the premises on the east side of Eighth avenue, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets, known as No. 5 Astor Leasehold, 19 by 65.

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52d st., s. s., 100 ft. w. of 1st av., runs W. 25 ft., thence s. 154.2 ft., thence e. to point 158.11 ft. s. of 52d st., thence n. to beginning	3,750
115th st., s. s., 172 ft. w. of 1st av., 75x100.5	21,000
117th st., s. s., 166.1 ft. w. of Avenue A, 18.5x 100.11	10,000
2d av., n. e. corner of 108th st., 50.4x100; 1st av., n. w. corner of 108th st., 50.4x100; 106th st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of 2d av., 450x100.8, one plot	10,000

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THE CHURCHES YESTERDAY.

AN INCREASED ATTENDANCE.

REFRESHED PASTORS RETURNING TO THEIR PULPITS—THEIR TOPICS OF DISCOURSE.

The second week in September has witnessed the usual renewal of interest in religious matters, so marked a feature of this period of the year. In many of the churches yesterday, especially in those attended by the wealthier classes, the changes which a week had brought forth were visible in scores of refilled pews, and a largely-increased attendance throughout the day. The altered state of affairs was not confined to the congregation, for the pulpit topics, in the majority of cases, showed that clergy as well as people had experienced the reviving influence incident to the return of of the season. The themes of discourse, in many cases, bore, as was to be expected, the impress of the current discussion between science and theology, which, on one side at least, has so far been conducted with commendable moderation. Whatever may be said of the inroads of science on religion, it is generally conceded to have improved the tone of the pulpit, as well as raised the intellectual level of the masses of church-goers.

The list of the leading churches at which services were held yesterday is very long. Among others may be instanced Christ Church, Fifth avenue and Thirty-fifth street, at which the Rector, Rev. Hugh Miller Thompson, preached both morning and evening; Calvary Baptist Church, Twenty-third street, Rev. R. S. MacArthur, Pastor; the First Baptist Church, Park avenue and Thirty-ninth street, Rev. Thomas D. Anderson; the Church of the Heavenly rest, Fifth avenue and Forty-fifth street, at which large congregations listened to sermons by the Rector, Rev. Dr. Howland, and his assistant, Rev. Dr. Conrad; the Bleecker Street Universalist Church, Rev. E. C. Sweetser; the Church of the Ascension, Fifth avenue and Tenth street, Rev. John Cotton Smith, D. D.; Dr. John Hall's Church, corner of Fifth avenue and Nineteenth street, and the Broadway Tabernacle, corner of Broadway and Thirty-fourth street. Full congregations were also in attendance at the First Reformed Episcopal Church, Madison avenue, corner of Forty-seventh street, Rev. Wm. T. Sabine, Rector; the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, near West Forty-sixth street, Rev. Thomas Armitage; the Canal Street Presbyterian Church, Rev. David Mitchell, and at the French Church Du St. Esprit, West Twenty-second street, near Fifth avenue, reports of the services at which will be found below.

THE FEET OF THE LORD UPON THE MOUNTAINS.

By Rev. Chauncey Giles.

Rev. Chauncey Giles yesterday resumed his pastoral duties, after the Summer vacation, at the New-Jerusalem Church, (Swedenborgian,) in Thirty-fifth street, between Lexington and Park avenues. He preached from the text:

"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of Him that bringeth good tidings that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion thy God reigneth. Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they sing, for they shall see eye to eye when the Lord shall bring again Zion."—Isaiah lii., 7 and 8.

He said, in this the Lord instructs us that He is coming to rebuild His Church upon the earth; to restore man to his spiritual integrity, and to so fill his heart with love and peace that he will be united with his fellow-man in a common brotherhood, and with the Lord as the only source of life; and He will so fill his understanding with light that man will see the truth; there will be no more doubts, no more fierce conflicts of opinion, no more disputes about doctrine—men will see eye to eye when the Lord returns to Zion. It is the Lord that brings good tidings of good. There is no lasting and real good in any natural possession. There is only one way to obtain lasting and genuine good—by coming into a state where it will be a delight to us to say, "Thy God reigneth." How do the tidings of good reach us? What are the Mountains of Zion? Evidently they are no material mountains, for the Lord does not come to us from the cold and barren heights of any material elevation. He comes to us in pure and elevated affections, in love to Him and to man. The mountains of the soul are interior and holy affections, and it is upon and through these that the Lord descends and comes to us. The Lord does not stand outside of nature and come to us as one man comes to another, through space. He once came in this way when He clothed His divine with a human nature and a material body. But He has made that human nature divine, and now He comes to the heart and understanding by divine influence, and His coming is just in the degree of the willingness and ability to receive Him. It is the common opinion that if the Lord were ready to give us good there would be nothing wanting to our reception of it. But this is a mistake. The obstacles to our salvation and happiness lie wholly with us, for the Lord is always ready to give us the richest and largest blessings we will receive from Him. If we were willing to remove these obstacles we should find ourselves enriched with heavenly blessing beyond our power to conceive. What are we to understand by the feet and their beauty? Feet are the basis on which we rest, and the means by which we come and go. They represent, therefore, every kind of instrument or means by which we come to each other, and communicate our thoughts and affections to each other. Words are the feet of thought and love. The letter of the Word is the Lord's feet. Its internal and spiritual meaning are the holy mountains on which He stands and from which He comes. He comes to us by means of the letter, and communicates to us His divine wisdom, and prepares us to receive His divine love. These feet are beautiful when we see them upon the mountains. When we can see that the letter of the Word is filled with spiritual and divine truth it becomes more beautiful to us than any words of human origin. In the letter unilluminated by the spirit, the Lord stands on the lowest level of natural and worldly ideas. They look earthly, and speak of worldly things and merely natural events. Men were so groveling that it was necessary that the Word should be given in the mere appearances of truth; but now men are beginning to look up, and the letter is becoming more beautiful. It seems to glow with divine light. The dry details of the history of an obscure people are rounded out, and become the exponents of the spiritual experience and progress of all nations and all men. The whole Word becomes illuminated, it is raised from the low levels of earthly and the fogs and darkness of the natural mind, to the mountains of clear spiritual thought and affection. It is in these mountains—the mountains of the soul—that the Lord can come to us and bring good tidings; for the clear light which shines undimmed upon them is obscured by the clouds and fogs of the natural mind and the dust of earthly thoughts. It is as impossible to hear the Lord proclaiming peace and salvation and all the blessings of a genuine spiritual life, while we live a merely natural and sensuous life, as it would be to fill the soul of a deaf man with the harmonies of music, or the mind of a blind man with the splendors of color and the beauties of form. Salvation and peace belong to the spiritual degree of the mind, and there only can we see in a clear and rational light that "God reigneth." Salvation has so long been regarded as escape from the punishment due to sin, and that escape is vicariously effected by the immediate grace of the Lord, that it is difficult to get men to see that it is effected according to laws of life embodied in the structure of the human soul in the same sense that salvation from physical disease is effected according to laws of life in the structure of the material body. It is supposed that the Lord can save man and confer upon him all the blessings of heaven by a fiat of His omnipotent power—consequently we wait and hope that the Lord will some time have mercy and exercise that grace, mercy, and power. There is not so much of this waiting in the New Church, because we know better. But still we are unconsciously influenced by these old and false ideas more than we know. Religion is not a matter of moods and passions. It is a life according to immutable laws, and all we have to do is to learn these laws and live according to them. It is not a question of whether we love them or not, but of doing. If we faithfully do them the faith will come in the doing and by means of it. The mountains on which the Lord comes to us are spiritual affections—love to Him and to the neighbor. These affections are gradually found by a right use of means which the Lord gives us. As they are found we hear the heavenly tidings, and the means by which they are communicated to us become beautiful. The watchmen who shall lift up the voice are those who examine the Scripture concerning this coming of the Lord, to learn how He is coming and what they must do to effect His coming. "They shall see eye to eye when the Lord returns to Zion." Differences and opposition of opinion cannot be avoided when men regard questions from opposite points of view. Theology has been, and still is, the theatre of the most opposite and conflicting opinions, because men have formed their opinions from the letter of the Word, where truth always presents itself in appearances and under various and even opposite forms. Take a question, "Does God reign?" and answer it from your own experience, from the state of society as it exists around you, or from the history of the world. What is the unconscious, inevitable conclusion? Think of the disorder, crime, and misery which everywhere prevail; see how fraud prospers, how iniquity triumphs, how the wicked go unpunished, how the weak are trampled under the feet of the strong, how the innocent are robbed and the righteous are oppressed. Does it look as if omnipotent God reigns? The question cannot be correctly answered from this life. We must regard human life from a divine point of view. This we can do when from the Word we learn the nature of the universe of which the human life is but a part, and when we learn the nature of man. He regards us as in the eternal world, of which this life is but the first step. All of this world and its experiences are but the beginning of the life which is to be lived to all eternity. Then the question is, Does God reign in the eternal world? Is there order, peace, and happiness there? Is there no disorder, no misery, no oppression? Is there no fraud, no triumph of the wicked, no trampling of the weak under the feet of the strong? Is there no robbery of the innocent, no oppression of the righteous? Is there no sorrow, no pain, no death? Is there no hell? Is there no devil? Is there no sin? Is there no evil? Is there no falsity? Is there no darkness? Is there no ignorance? Is there no stupidity? Is there no insanity? Is there no idiocy? Is there no blindness? Is there no deafness? Is there no dumbness? Is there no lameness? Is there no paralysis? Is there no leprosy? Is there no cancer? Is there no consumption? Is there no fever? Is there no ague? Is there no pain? Is there

FOREIGN MISCELLANY.

A SERIES OF MURDERS.

The Paris correspondent of the London *Echo* writes: The assizes of the Eure-et-Loire have just tried a man for a series of murders unsurpassed in coolness and brutality. The prisoner was one Sylvian Poirier, aged thirty-one, a farm laborer. From early youth he had been notorious for his bad character. In 1858, when only fifteen years of age, he was condemned to five years in a house of correction for theft and swindling. He then worked on various farms, and in 1871 he got married. His first murder was committed a few months after his wedding. A widow named Lecomte was on the point of leaving the farm she occupied. She had sold most of her goods and cattle, and had thereby amassed about 240. Poirier, who assisted her in this task, determined to possess himself of the money. He therefore disguised himself and lay in wait till everybody had left the farm, and toward 9 in the evening broke into the house. The widow, alarmed, asked what he wanted. "Your money," was the reply. "Take it, then," said the woman; "you will find it in the chest of drawers; there are 620 francs." Having put the money in his pocket, he was about to leave, when the widow cried out: "I know you; you are Poirier!" Finding himself recognized, he resolved to kill her, and seizing a large bar of iron struck the widow on the head killing her on the spot. At this moment another woman, named Riolet, whom the widow had asked to come and keep her company for the night appeared on the threshold. She immediately shrieked at the sight before her, and rushed into another room to escape. Poirier dashed after her, and with his rod of iron knocked her about the head till she was dead. He next returned to the widow Lecomte, and, finding her still breathing, gave her a final blow, smashing her skull to pieces. He then shut the door, and went home to his wife, who lived in the neighboring commune, as ca n and unconcerned as if he had been working innocently in the fields. The bodies of the two victims were found weltering in blood the following morning, but the murderer was not discovered. Meantime Poirier spent the fruit of his crime at the wine shop. His next exploit was committed two years later, on the 1st of January, 1873, when he entered a small inn kept by a Mme. Bezard, and called for a cup of coffee. The woman was alone. Having finished his coffee, he tendered a twenty-franc piece in payment. The unsuspecting hostess opened a cupboard to get change, and in so doing displayed several bank-notes and other moneys. The sight of them was enough—Poirier was determined to have them. He therefore waited to steal the money during the temporary absence of the woman, but had not time enough. He then decided to kill her, and while Mme. Bezard was stooping to stir the fire, he seized hold of a large lump of wood and dealt her a fearful blow on the back of the head. He was about to repeat the blow when he was disturbed by the sound of a cart approaching. Shutting the door and putting the key in his pocket, Poirier ran into a hedge close by and hid himself. The cart stopped in front of the inn, and the driver called for the hostess several times. The woman recovering a little, cried out, "What do you want? but she did not attempt to open the door. Probably she thought it was her murderer. The driver, however, being in a hurry, moved on. As soon as the cart was out of sight Poirier left his hiding-place, re-entered the inn, and finished his victim by dashing out her brains. He then took the money from the cupboard and departed. His last crime exceeded the above in brutality and horror; it was committed in May last, at a small place called Tremblay, where a farm named Travers lived with his wife and two children—one a boy of sixteen and the other a girl of fourteen. The parents had left home on business. Poirier, under the pretext of buying some wood, entered the farm and got into conversation with the two children, who were alone on the premises. The boy invited him to go into the stable to see the horses, and Poirier followed, hiding under his blouse a large iron hammer. The boy having shown him the animals was about to leave the stable, when Poirier knocked him down with a blow on the head with his deadly weapon. The poor little victim tried to get up and defend himself but in vain. The assassin soon laid him prostrate in quick succession, and he was all but dead. Poirier thinking he had finished the boy forever, shut the stable and returned to the house. The little girl went to meet him. He seized hold of her, dragged her into the room, and with one blow split her skull open; she fell to rise no more. The monster then broke open the drawers and cupboards, and, putting all the money he could find into his pockets, left the spot. Before going home to his wife he washed his blood-stained clothes in a rivulet and hid the hammer in a hedge. However, the boy Travers, although horribly mutilated, recovered gradually, and on being confronted with Poirier immediately exclaimed, "That's the murderer!" For some time the prisoner protested his innocence, but on being recognized by the boy he confessed his guilt, and gave a minute account of the different crimes he had committed. He appeared to show little feeling in court. The jury returned a verdict of guilty without extenuating circumstances, and he was sentenced to death.

CREMATION IN INDIA.

The *Times of India* has the following: On Wednesday, July 5, a fatal accident occurred at Malabar-hill, to the Hon. Narayan Wasudeo, a member of the Legislative Council of the Governor of Bombay. The front portion of his dwelling house fell in, and he was killed. Arrangements were made in the course of the afternoon for the disposal of the remains. The body was placed on the floor of a large apartment at the rear of one of the wings of the house, and the female members of the family, seating themselves around it, gave themselves up to uncontrollable grief. The unhappy widow was overwhelmed by the dreadful calamity which had befallen her. A great number of the leading members of the European and various native communities called and took a last look at the remains as they lay covered with a white robe, the lower part of the face being alone exposed. It was at first intended to perform the last offices on the ground adjacent to the Temple at Walkeshwar, but ultimately the burning-ghat was considered the burning-ground at Sonapore would be a more appropriate scene, for there Mr. Narayan had, at considerable cost, erected a place of shelter for mourners, planted trees, and in other ways shown his munificence. The procession started about 7 P.M. The bier, composed of two long pieces of bamboo with a couple of cross-pieces, and covered with a rich white shawl, was upheld by the eldest brother of the deceased, and Mr. Rugunath Narayan, Mr. Shantaram Narayan, and Dr. Shantaram Withul. The sacred fire, which had been kindled with due ceremonies at the house, was carried in front of the bearers by the deceased's son. The funeral was largely attended not only by members of his own caste but by those of other castes and denominations. When the procession reached Sonapore the bier was placed on the ground while the pyre was being constructed. Men with short crowbars made six holes in the earth, and in each of these was placed a rough piece of timber about 6 feet above the ground. The posts, ranged two and two, were about a yard distant from each other. Three logs about six feet long each were placed on pieces of wood between each pair of uprights, so as to allow a free draught under the whole. A number of smaller logs were placed on these large ones, and were covered with small sandal-wood, which made a sort of bed for the reception of the body. While this was being done a number of torches of sandal-wood were being carefully ignited by the son of the deceased at the sacred fire which he had brought with him for the purpose. Prayers were said while the ignition was in progress. All being ready, the bier was brought to the side of the pyre. It was then lifted on to the bier, which was by this time between three and four feet high. The upright posts confined the body on either side, and prevented the possibility of its rolling off. Small blocks of sandal-wood of various lengths—from six inches to two feet—were placed lightly on the body. The deceased's son then took a brazen vessel full of water and carefully sprinkled a circle on the earth around the funereal pile. He next seized a brand from the sacred fire and applied it to some dried leaves or similar combustibles under the pyre. That did not set fire to the pile, however, and was not intended to more than a compliance with the ceremonials; the brand was red, but not blazing, and a spark or two only fell from it. The relatives were then, as is usual in such cases, led away from the pyre by the friends around, so as to spare their feelings as much as possible. When they were taken a few yards off, and their backs turned to the pyre, large logs, similar to those at the base, were placed over the body, which became completely concealed, all but the feet, which were left exposed either by accident or design. The friends applied matches to the sandal wood brands, and, when they blazed up, set fire to the combustibles. Owing, doubtless, to the dampness of the ground and occasional drops of rain, it was a matter of some difficulty to get the mass to burn. Cocoanut oil was thrown on the wood, and screens were held by men so as to regulate the draught, and, after a long interval the pyre blazed up fiercely. In three hours only a handful of ashes remained of him who was but that morning the influential leader of the Hindoo community, full of life and hope.

YOUNG MORTARA.

The Jewish lad Mortara, whose capture by the Papal authorities was once a subject of discussion for the whole of Europe, has since then become a young man and a monk of the Augustine Order, and has lately preached his first sermon. The *Gazette d'Italie* takes advantage of this circumstance to give some account of young Mortara. From 1858 (when he was torn from his family) till October, 1870, he remained always at Rome. The Papal Government had him carefully brought up, and apartment had him carefully brought up, and apartment had him carefully brought up, and apartment

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